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Accord reached on Golan line as proposed by Dr. Kissinger to Israel, Syria

By DAVID LANDAU, Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel and Syria have in effect agreed on a line of separation in the Golan Heights. U.S. State Department spokesman Robert Anderson confirmed last night that both sides had "expressed a favourable attitude" towards a U.S.-proposed line of separation.

Briefing newsmen after a three-hour U.S.-Israel working session, Mr. Anderson reported that the Israel side had "expressed a favourable attitude to the U.S. proposal on the line." And he replied "yes" when queried by a reporter if this meant that now both Israel and Syria had indicated their acceptance of the same line of separation as proposed by Secretary Kissinger. A senior American official had said on Saturday that Syria's President Assad had "tentatively accepted" the U.S. proposal.

(From Key Biscayne, Florida, the White House spokesman said that President Nixon, buoyed by reports that "substantial progress" had been made, conferred by cable with Dr. Kissinger yesterday on the Middle East negotiations.)

Information Minister Shimon Peres told newsmen yesterday that "the line that was offered by the American Secretary of State is of such a nature that both sides can accept it. Israel is favourably considering the proposal." This statement, too, was interpreted as confirming that tentative agreement had in fact been reached.

Neither Israel nor Syria is expected to formally acknowledge or announce their agreement on the line of separation until all the other aspects of the disengagement are concluded to their satisfaction.

Israel had agreed to give up several hundred dunams of orchards cultivated by Merom Hagolan and to withdraw to the west of a road running between the settlement and Kuneitra.

Still to be finalized in this week's negotiations is the nature of the Syrian civilian administration which will rule Kuneitra within the U.N. buffer zone. Israel will not agree to any Syrian military presence in the town, and the discussions revolve around ideas for the Syrian police or gendarmerie to be allowed back with the returning citizens.

Dr. Kissinger was also able to present to the Syrian leader on Saturday a number of minor Israeli concessions — *Israeli officials prefer to call them "gestures"* — in the southern Golan, around the village of Rafid.

But the Secretary did not hide his pessimism when he flew from Jerusalem to Damascus on Saturday. He is reported to have said privately that his chances of success were only 10 per cent, and he would consider it an achievement if he could secure Mr. Assad's agreement to a statement summing up the advances made in the talks so far and describing them as "constructive."

The Secretary presented the latest Israeli concessions as the very utmost that could be expected from the Jerusalem government, and implied that it was now up to Mr.

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Police broke up the anti-withdrawal demonstrators in front of the Prime Minister's house in Jerusalem. Being dragged away is Rabbi Moshe Levinger of Kiryat Arba. (Story — Page 2). (Barzilay)

K meets with Golda and Dayan

Dr. Kissinger spent yesterday evening with Premier Meir and Defence Minister Dayan at Mrs. Meir's home in Jerusalem while the other ministers on the Israel negotiating team attended the Labour Party Central Committee meeting in Tel Aviv which decided on the form of the new government (Mrs. Meir and Mr. Dayan will not be in the new government.)

Brezhnev sends note to Sadat

CAIRO (Reuter). — Soviet party leader Leonid Brezhnev sent a message to President Sadat yesterday, it was officially announced.

LABOUR VOTES 302:36 FOR 61-MAN COALITION

DOOR LEFT OPEN FOR NRP

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party central committee last night voted by an overwhelming majority for the formation of a coalition headed by Yitzhak Rabin based on the support of 61 Knesset members — 51 Alignment, three Alignment-affiliated Arab and Druse, four Independent Liberals and three Civil Rights Movement M.K.s.

The resolution also left the door open for the National Religious Party to join the coalition if the 'Who is a Jew' obstacle is overcome.

The vote taken openly at the old Ohel Theatre was 302 for, 36 against and six abstentions. The resolution was that proposed by the majority in the Labour coalition negotiating team and it was moved by Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadlin.

Mr. Yadlin appealed to the NRP to relent and reconfirm its "traditional partnership" with Labour. Three portfolios in the new Cabinet are to be left vacant for the NRP, for at least three months.

Mr. Yadlin stressed that a minority government of 58 could not be formed because the ILP refused to join without the CRM and Mapam would stay out without the ILP. Mrs. Meir, who was not present due to talks with Dr. Kissinger, had favoured the 58 formula.

In the debate before the vote, Mordechai Surkiss of the Rafi wing said he supported a national coalition, but as this had no chance of success he would prefer to keep the Golda Meir caretaker government in office until new elections are held, with Rabin readying the party for the polls.

Surkiss charged that no real effort had been made to find common ground with the NRP and that "someone knew how to put pressure on the ILP to present these conditions." Turning to Mr. Rabin, he asked "Is this the new message you bring to the people? Shulamit Aloni and Marcia Friedman instead of Golda and Dayan." He warned that inclusion of the CRM would close the door permanently to the NRP.

Adiel Amorai MK, of Ahdut Ha'avoda, said the majority motion was the most realistic solution available. If it did not materialize then the Labour party would forfeit its right to govern and dash the public's expectations of a new deal in leadership and government. Opposing a coalition with Likud, Amorai said it would foil any prospect of reaching a settlement with the Arabs.

Moshav Movement leader Avraham Zilberberg MK, Mapai, hoped that Mrs. Aloni would return to the Labour party.

Mordechai Ben-Porat declared "this is a parting of our political ways," and caused an uproar when announcing that he would now be conscience-bound to weigh his vote. He said if he would find it impossible to vote for such a coalition he would hand back his mandate.

Ben-Porat said a national coalition would be the best answer to Ma'alot and the low level of public morale. He asked "are we readying the nation for the stage after the pullback from Kuneitra and East of the Mitla Pass?"

Yitzhak Rabin — he said — would become a national leader overnight if he formed such a government. He warned that a narrow coalition would face "a hellish time" if it survived and would polarize the nation into two warring camps. He warned that a government without the NRP and with Mrs. Aloni would lean towards the Left. "It will be above all a government of the national aspirations of the Palestinians ... why even Lyova Eliav, now abroad, speaks of the terrorists as if nothing has happened."

Party youth division head Yehiel Leket, Mapai, said a coalition with the Likud "would mean saying goodbye to Kissinger and an end to negotiations." He preferred Mrs. Aloni to Begin and found no common ground with NRP youth leaders Ben-Meir and Hammer.

Ahdut Ha'avoda veteran Benny Marshak urged maximum efforts to revive coalition with the NRP, and opposed a link with the Likud. He warned against coalition with Mrs. Aloni, saying "its not just chance that brought her to the rally on the Yarkon River part with Uri Avneri and the Communists. For their border is on the River Yarkon." He attacked his party's doves — "everyone knows that Yosef Sarid — who tells the Golan settlers to get down to the Negev — does not speak for our party."

Veteran Shaul Avigur, Mapai, said "we must not be led by the hysterical atmosphere prevailing in the street. We have to be realistic and vote for a 61-MK government.

Deputy Secretary-General Moshe Netzer, speaking for the minority on the coalition negotiating team, held that not everything had been done to win the NRP over. He did not believe that a government of 61 would survive for long.

Yadlin later seplied to a critic that Labour had wanted the NRP in the coalition but that party made it impossible to form a coalition.

Gad Yaacobi MK warned that a government must be able to survive not only by virtue of numerical support but due to public backing, enabling it to adopt tough decisions.

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GISCARD ELECTED FRENCH PRESIDENT

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Conservative Valery Giscard d'Estaing was elected President last night with a narrow margin of only two per cent of the poll over his left-wing rival Francois Mitterrand, according to computer estimates.

Although the outcome of the election contest will not be confirmed officially until after returns are in from France's overseas colonies, 48-year-old Giscard's victory was a certainty as soon as the polls closed.

Computer estimates produced by the French state radio and TV network, ORTF, and the private radio networks, Europe Number One and Radio Luxembourg all agreed on Giscard's victory.

GGiscard, tall, aquiline featured and almost bald, is the leader of the Independent Republican Party which has been an ally of the Gaullists in the French Government coalition since Gen. de Gaulle came to power in 1958.

He ran France's economy as Finance Minister under both de Gaulle and Pompidou. But he played a leading role in the General's downfall in 1969 by refusing to support his referendum which called on the electorate to acquiesce in the abolition of the Senate.

Giscard's victory came as something of a surprise after a final week of vigorous campaigning during which Mitterrand, after drawing neck-and-neck with his pro-Gaullist opponent in the opinion polls, seemed likely to pip him at the post.

But the traditional political behaviour of the French electorate saved the day for Giscard. As so often before, the voters expressed their temptation to toy with a change during the first round of the poll by voting massively against the Gaullist official contender ex-Premier Jacques Chaban Delmas.

Then, in the second round, the innate conservative reactions of the voters took over. Having taken a harmless risk by giving Mitterrand 43 per cent of the first poll, they refused to confirm their vote in yesterday's decisive run-off.

Giscard has campaigned on the theme of social and economic reforms to improve the lot of France's underprivileged. He has promised a wide-ranging review of French foreign policy ranging from a more even-handed attitude towards the rival camps in the Middle East to more willing cooperation with France's European partners and the U.S.

As soon as Giscard moves into the Elysée, Premier Pierre Messmer will hand him the resignation of his Government. Giscard is expected to name as Premier Olivier Guichard, Transport Minister in the present caretaker government and a trusted lieutenant of both de Gaulle and Pompidou.

But Giscard is expected to name only a minority of Gaullist old-timers in his new government in order to mark his determination to turn a new page in France's history.

No information on Russians and PoWs

The Government has no definite information that Russians have been interrogating PoWs in Syria, an Information Ministry spokesman said yesterday in response to a report appearing in London's "Sunday Times."

The newspaper had reported that Soviet interrogators had used drugs and "other means" to extract information from Israeli prisoners held in Syria.

ISRAEL GUNBOATS SHELL ARAB TERRORIST BASE

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Four Israeli missile boats yesterday attacked a terrorist base and headquarters on the Lebanese shore at Rashadiya some 24 kms. north of Rosh Hanikra. The army spokesman said all the boats returned safely to base.

The boats shelled the base with 76 mm. cannon for half-an-hour, in the third day of Israeli raids against terrorist bases in Lebanon following the Ma'alot massacre last Wednesday.

Rashadiya has come under Israeli attack in the past. The base, which services all the various branches of the terrorist movement stationed in Lebanon, has stores and operations centres, and has often been used as a starting point for raids against Israel.

It has also been used for the training of terrorist frogmen and naval commandos.

The Israeli boats came under fire from the shore but escaped undamaged.

Our Arab Affairs Reporter adds:

Terrorist sources in Rashadiya announced last night that eight persons were killed and another 12 wounded in the Israeli shelling. In Beirut, the Lebanese Defence Ministry said that four Israeli missile boats rocketed and shelled the Palestinian camp under the protective umbrella of several warplanes.

The Lebanese communique said the Israeli boats took up positions eight to 12 kms. away from shore, started attacking and were engaged by Lebanese and terrorist forces for 45 minutes before they withdrew. One vessel was seen spewing smoke after receiving a direct hit.

The Rashadiya camp houses about 12,000 Palestinian refugees, according to U.N. Relief and Works Agency statistics. It is known to be one of the heaviest armed terrorist centres in Lebanon.

UPI later reported that the Israeli destroyed a row of army-style barracks and a concrete bunker on the edge of the camp. A resident was quoted as saying the gunboats poured about 50, "maybe more" shells onto the camp and that "their fire was pretty concentrated."

AP reported that the shells tore metre-wide holes in the cement-block houses, of which about 50 were damaged, including six on the beach, used as barracks by armed Palestinian terrorists guarding the camp. The agency said the camp is used by the Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine headed by Dr. George Habash.

The bombardment on Rashadiya came as Lebanese and terrorist leaders inspected damage at other refugee camps which were the targets of Thursday's Israeli air raid following the Ma'alot outrage the previous day.

Arab Military Council in Cairo to discuss disengagement

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

A high-ranking Syrian military delegation is to leave Damascus for Cairo today to report to a 20-nation Arab Defence Council on the prospects of a military disengagement on the Golan front. Military delegations from various Arab states were due to arrive in Cairo last night and this morning for the meeting.

The Syrians are likely to confer first with the Egyptian military command on the progress made over the weekend by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger on the disengagement issue. They may also meet President Anwar Sadat.

The Syrian delegation was also scheduled to meet with the secretary-general of the Arab League, Mahmoud Riad, to decide on whether there was still a need for an emergency Arab summit conference. Syria had earlier demanded such a conference when prospects for the Kissinger's mission looked dim.

Damascus was yesterday reported to be optimistic that Kissinger would succeed in closing the remaining gap between Syria and Israel, leading to an early disengagement agreement.

Middle East observers yesterday expressed the belief that Syria had no intention of blocking Kissinger's efforts, with Damascus hoping to achieve maximum gains under a disengagement accord — especially since all parties concerned have pledged that this would not represent a final settlement but rather a move towards it.

The observers said that to a certain extent the Syrians have resisted Soviet pressure while responding to Kissinger's overtures. In so doing, the Syrians have overcome their relatively strained relations with Egypt, which had expressed

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Israeli soldier killed in North

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

An Israeli soldier was killed on Saturday and three more wounded yesterday by continuing Syrian artillery fire along the northern front. The dead man was Samal Ya'acov Becker, 26, from Ashdod.

Firing in the area yesterday was relatively light. The Hermon range bore the brunt of the Syrian bombardment which started at 8 a.m. Also shelled were Israeli positions in the southern sector of the bulge. The southern Golan Heights, which came under intensive bombardment over the weekend, was quiet.

In the late afternoon Har Dov (Jebel Rus) on the Lebanese border was shelled with 120 mm. mortars. No damage was caused and there were no casualties.

In Damascus, army communiques said Israeli artillery shelled Nawa and Umm el-Zaitoun, two Syrian frontline villages yesterday, killing two civilians.

Ma'alot public inquiry c'ttee to be set up

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Premier Golda Meir will appoint a public committee to inquire into the circumstances of the Ma'alot school tragedy. This was decided at yesterday's Cabinet session at the suggestion of Mrs. Meir and a number of other Ministers.

Mrs. Meir will make a statement in the Knesset this afternoon on the Ma'alot massacre and her statement will include the names of the public figures on the committee, their terms of reference, and the period of time at their disposal.

The committee will examine all the relevant aspects, with the exception of the military operation to rescue the children — which will be covered in the ordinary course of events by the IDF's own framework.

The committee will seek information from the Foreign Ministry, the Ministers of Education, Police and the Interior, it is understood. It is expected to report back to the Prime Minister and the Cabinet. It is not known what part, if any, of its findings will be published.

One Minister proposed setting up a State Commission of Enquiry (like the Agranat Commission). But Justice Minister Haim Zadok quashed the idea, recalling that the Kopel public committee had probed the Munich Olympics killings thoroughly. Zadok reportedly said that state inquiry commissions should be reserved for extraordinary issues which had wide ramifications and required a judicial approach.

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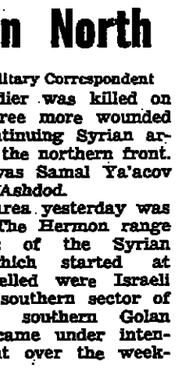

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Sharav and hazy. In the Negev and S.nai probability of local thunderstorms towards evening. Cooler air will penetrate into our area.
Weather synopsis: A sharav low over northwest Egypt moving towards east Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	19	18—23	19—30
Golan	41	17—26	17—28
Nahariya	62	11—25	13—27
Safad	27	15—29	18—31
Haifa	59	19—24	16—27
Tiberias	63	13—34	13—35
Nazarth	20	16—31	18—33
Afula	23	13—32	15—33
Shomron	14	15—29	20—30
Tel Aviv	48	15—25	16—28
Lod	30	11—31	18—33
Jericho	39	15—35	18—36
Gaza	66	16—26	17—27
Beersheba	17	12—31	17—33
Eilat	9	22—39	23—39
Tiran	20	23—37	24—39

Social and Personal

The President Professor Ephraim Katzir, yesterday received the Health Minister of Paraguay, Dr. Adan Gody Jimenez.

Prof. Katzir also received in his office Mr. Yitzhak Unna, prior to taking up his post as ambassador to South Africa.

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About 200 academicians who are on sabbatical and teaching at institutions of higher learning in Israel yesterday met with Knesset Members Amoral, Halevy, Lorincz, and Patt. The meeting was arranged by the Academic Committee on the Middle East.

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Prof. Yehoshua Bar-Hillel, Professor of Logic and Philosophy of Science at the Hebrew University, has been appointed a Corresponding Member of the Finnish Academy of Science.

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On the occasion of Jerusalem Day, a double prize-award ceremony will be held at 5 o'clock today at Artists House Jerusalem: the Ofer Pfeniger Prize to an outstanding young artist, and the Eduard and Dr. Hanna Gelber Prize to a deserving new immigrant. Pianist Benjamin Oren will play works by Mozart, Chopin and Debussy. *(Communicated)*

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BIRTH

ELDAD — Aryeh and Leora (née Bension) Eldad are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Karni, on May 16, 1974, in Jerusalem.

DEPARTURES

Simha Soroker, director-general of the Communications Ministry, for Basel, and the U.S., to participate in conferences on communications.

Rabin aims to reduce party, national discord

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin last night spelled out his intention of reducing internal friction in the nation and in his Labour Party, and of according the country stable government.

Speaking at the Labour Party Central Committee meeting which empowered him to form a government based on 61 Knesset votes, Rabin expressed his belief that even a narrow coalition could govern well. Its survival hinged on the Labour Party's unity, Rabin stressed. He set as the three immediate aims of his government: advancing the present situation on the fronts to a permanent settlement, strengthening Israel's deterrent force and reducing internal frictions.

He hoped that the National Religious Party would join his government later. He did not want to end Labour's traditional partnership with the NRP, but neither did he wish to submit to NRP demands on the "Who's a Jew" issue which was secondary and if accepted could only injure U.S. Jewry — "for them, the Gentiles decide who is a Jew."

He described the proposed coalition as "the most realistic solution available."

He dwelt on the tragic background to the debate provided by the Ma'alot bloodbath, and warned that terrorism was still with us.

Mr. Rabin spoke of the efforts of the two Golda Meir cabinets, since the Yom Kippur war, to exhaust the prospect of utilizing the disengagement agreements as a breakthrough to permanent settlement. He said the Meir government had pursued trends that moved away from war, with Egypt, and perhaps with Syria.

They also were pursuing the trend leading to the weakening of Soviet influence in the Middle East — the source of all evil, he said. The Meir government had also done its best to preserve Israel's strength in the event of another war.

Speaking of U.S.-Israel relations, Mr. Rabin stressed that the countries had differing considerations. He went on, "In the past few days it was possible to perceive the strength of Israel's firm stance in a debate with friends."

He believed the government policies presented a prospect for changing political conditions that could lead to peace, although he did not lose sight of the likelihood of war.

He rejected the idea of a national coalition with the Likud because they did not share such views and would hamper any progress to a settlement. Mr. Rabin said such a way out might proffer a temporary panacea but it did not offer a proper solution.

Mr. Rabin was also against early elections, warning that "they are not the most attractive national sport in Israel," and pointing to their divisive effect. But if elections were inevitable, he was ready to rise to such a challenge, he added.

Yitzhak Rabin, above, and Pinhas Sapir, below, on their way to last night's meeting of the Labour Party's Central Committee. (IPPA)

Almogi says U.S. Jews aghast at narrow gov't

HAIFA. — U.S. Jewry is astonished that people in Israel do not yet realize that a national unity Government is absolutely essential at this time — Mayor Yosef Almogi, currently in the U.S. on a Bonds mission, told his associates here in a telephone conversation at the end of last week.

Mr. Almogi said that all the Jewish leaders he had spoken to stressed the urgent need — following the Ma'alot massacre and in view of the immense security problems facing the State — for a closing of ranks among Jews both in Israel and in the Diaspora. *(Itim)*

Maki applies to join WJC

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Communist Party (Maki) yesterday decided to apply to join the World Jewish Congress. This was in response to the approach of WJC President Nahum Goldmann.

'Bailey bridge for Silwan' protest

Aguda MK Menahem Porush last night wired Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu demanding an urgent debate on a motion for the parliamentary agenda about a reported Government decision to build a Bailey bridge over the part of the Silwan Highway where Jewish tombs have been unearthed. The road is closed at present.

The decision, which was apparently taken by the Committee of Cabinet Ministers on Jerusalem, has not been made public. Assuming no members of the Cabinet Committee or the full Cabinet objected, such a decision would automatically have the validity of a Cabinet decision, without the attendant publicity.

Jerusalem Day to be marked by prayers and 20-km. march

Jerusalem Post Staff

Special security precautions are being taken against possible terrorist outrages at today's Jerusalem Day events, marking the seventh anniversary of the liberation of East Jerusalem and the unification of the city. Police Minister Shlomo Hillel reported on the security measures to the Cabinet at its regular session yesterday.

The anniversary will be celebrated in various ways today, one of the central events being what is by now the traditional walk around the walls of the Old City. The march will start at 3.30 p.m. at the Hapoel Stadium in Katamon and will finish at the same place four hours later. The route is about 20 kms., and several thousand marchers are expected to take part.

About 500 immigrants will attend an entertainment at Beit Elisheva where they will meet civic leaders. Another 500, mostly ulpan students, will be taken on special tours aimed at acquainting them with the Capital and its surroundings.

The main ceremonial event will be a mass thanksgiving service at the Western Wall at 5 o'clock.

The Israel Museum and the Rockefeller Museum will both be open free of charge to the public from 10 a.m until 6 p.m.

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Police break up protest outside PM's Office, 43 arrested, freed

The police yesterday forcibly removed some 100 demonstrators from opposite the Prime Minister's Office, arresting 43 of them for refusing to leave after their permit to demonstrate had expired in the morning. (Photo on Page 1)

The demonstrators' request to have their permit extended was rejected, the police saying that they had not kept their order taking that the demonstration would not become noisy. Recently the protestors, who are opposed concessions to the Syrians, sang and danced, allegedly disturbing the work at the Office.

Earlier Information Minister Shimon Peres had assured the demonstrators that he and other Ministers would personally go to the Golan Heights to explain to Israel settlers there what was planned before any agrement was signed.

In the morning the protesters were told that the police would ignore their presence, even though they had no permit, on condition they made no more noise. And when Moshe Dayan left the building after the Cabinet meeting at 12.30, they did not call out. But about 2 p.m. when other Ministers left the building, the demonstrators called out to them and started singing.

They were again asked to leave, and when they did not respond, one of them was arrested. His friends then sat on the ground, and the police had to lift them one by one and carry them to a police car. After this the placards were removed and the tents dismantled. The women and children left later.

In the late afternoon the police began releasing the demonstrators, after questioning them. After they were released they said, the Government had no real answer to their call to 'stop the talks and burn the maps."

They would continue to fight decisions taken by the government under pressure which endangered the peace of the State of Israel and its future. *(Itim)*

'No delay' in settlement

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Government is pursuing its settlement programme according to the usual routine and in line with its preceding decisions, and no instructions have been given to the appropriate bodies to delay the establishment of new settlements.

Israel Galili, Minister without Portfolio, who heads the Cabinet Committee on Settlement, made a statement to this effect in the weekly Cabinet session yesterday, in order to deny a news item in a Tel Aviv paper which charged that new settlement was being deliberately delayed "in view of the separation of forces and the Geneva conference."

The item is baseless, Galili said.

Kollek: Can't totally ensure schoolchildren's safety

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The safety of children at school cannot be fully guaranteed, Mayor Teddy Kollek warned last night in a Jerusalem Day address to the local Labour Council.

He said: "This city has suffered from terrorist activity in the past and will probably suffer more in the future. Yet we must continue to build up Jerusalem — for all its citizens, Jew and Arab alike.

The Ma'alot tragedy has focused a great deal of attention on security in the schools. I think the possibility of attacks on schools cannot be entirely eliminated. Even if the whole army were assigned only one task — that of guarding Jerusalem's schools — they could not succeed in guaranteeing the childrens' safety 100 per cent."

Mr. Kollek also cautioned his fellow citizens against the "illusory hope" of winning the undivided loyalty of Jerusalem's Arab population for the State of Israel. He put it as follows:

"The fact that an Arab joins the Histadrut and takes a job with a good wage and social benefits does not mean he thereby abandons Arab nationalism. No — that man is not yet ready to buy a shekel and qualify as a Zionist, to vote at the next Zionist Congress."

Labour Council secretary David Ayalon urged Jerusalemites to be patient in face of the slow pace of the Capital's development. He compared Jerusalem with "other great cities," and said: 'Munich was not built up overnight, and Jerusalem too would have to develop in stages."

There was an uproar when Ya'akov Elazar, a veteran Jerusalem Histadrut member, attempted to question Mayor Kollek about conditions in the Jewish Quarter of the Old City.

Mr. Kollek had to leave early for another speaking engagement. However, Mr. Elazar, a resident of the Old City, insisted on voicing his opinions to his fellow members of the labour organization. But Ayalon ruled him out of order, saying that a Jerusalem Day [illegible] was not the place to raise the problems of the Jewish Quarter of the Old City.

Undaunted, Mr. Elazar continued his campaign outside the hall. He told reporters that the 300 Jews living within the wall of the Old City, are not receiving the protection and municipal services to which they are entitled as citizens of Jerusalem."

'Don't shoot, I'm only a burglar'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A burglar, had to plead, "Don't shoot, I'm only a thief," on Saturday night to avoid being shot — as a terrorist.

Police said the burglar, aged 21, had broken into a flat in Rehov Radak in the German Colony here. The owner, a woman, screamed for help. The police soon arrived and pointed their weapons at the man. Neighbours, thinking he was a terrorist, urged the policemen not to take any chances. "Shoot him, he's a terrorist,' they cried.

The terrified burglar pleaded that he was "only an ordinary thief." Fortunately, the policemen recognized the man and took him into custody.

The general security situation is making life difficult for the underworld, police say. Over the week-end at least two other burglary suspects were caught when citizens on the alert for terrorists called the police. Last week, four men smoking hashish in a Tiv Hacarmel shelter were mistaken for terrorists and handed over to the police.

Lahat proposes armed teachers in schools

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat has proposed that teachers who possess gun licences be permitted to bring their weapons to school with them. This is one of the emergency measures the city is suggesting to tighten security in educational institutions throughout the city.

The police have yet to reply affirmatively to this suggestion, but have told the mayor that it is under consideration.

Another of Mayor Lahat's proposals is also being studied. Following the Kiryat Shmona massacre over a month ago, he proposed that mobile military units be stationed in several strategic points in town. These units would be able to reach any spot in which terrorist activity is reported within minutes. The mayor explained that it is impossible to hermetically seal off a city the size of Tel Aviv, but that a well-armed unit be within a few minutes' reach of any site, it would at least be possible to avert certain delays such as occurred in Kiryat Shmona.

Mayor Lahat, a former IDF general, told reporters yesterday that he believed the security authorities would consider his proposals with greater urgency in view of the Ma'alot tragedy.

Mr. Lahat has also persuaded the Ministry of Education to suspend the regular Gadna courses and instruct the local Gadna instructors to teach their pupils how to defend themselves and how to watch out for booby traps.

Gadna chief puts stress on knowledge, moral sense

TEL AVIV. — Israel youth know little about the Arab-Israel conflict or about the wars the two people have fought — O.C. Gadna, Aluf-Mishne Yeshayahu Tadmor, told a meeting of Kfar Silver schoolchildren at ZOA House here yesterday.

Aluf-Mishne Tadmor went on to say that young people in the Arab countries appear to be much better informed on these subjects than their Israeli counterparts, and stressed the need for a thorough knowledge of the Arab-Israel conflict before entering the Army. This, he said, would enable young people to come to their military service "prepared to volunteer and become involved in the Army."

Referring to the Ma'alot tragedy, Aluf Mishne Tadmor stressed the need for a sound moral education. "Unlike in most other countries, here in Israel young boys and girls can get caught up in military actions, and in such cases, sound moral judgements are essential." He refused to comment on whether this moral education found expression in the behaviour of those involved in the Ma'alot incident — teachers, guides or the children themselves — as the matter was still *sub-judice*. *(Itim)*

Ma'alot victim still 'critical'

HAIFA. — Yocheved Dara'i, the 17-year-old schoolgirl who was wounded in the head in the Ma'alat massacre last week, is still unconscious and her condition last night was described as critical.

The condition of the other four children brought to the Rambam Hospital here in serious condition was described last night as "slightly improved." *(Itim)*

Safad protesters decry attack on Meir, Dayan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — A spokesman for the group of young Safad residents who organized a demonstration here Saturday night for better security arrangements in the town yesterday disassociated the group from charges made against Premier Golda Meir and Defence Minister Moshe Dayan by one of the speakers.

The spokesman, Yehiel Dahan, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the speaker, Technion student Shlomo Avigdor, had not been authorized to speak. He had simply grabbed the microphone during a pause between speeches, Dahan said.

The *protest group plans to go to* Jerusalem today to meet the Defence and Police Ministers and Knesset Members. They will demand the building of a security patrol road in Safad, speeding up the building of shelters, a military guard for all schools, the establishment of a security committee by the Municipality and the death penalty for all terrorists.

Meanwhile, the Army yesterday appointed a security officer for the city. The O/C orthern Command, Aluf Rafael Eitan, yesterday also carried out his undertaking to tighten security, as soldiers, police guards and Haga men were assigned to schools, parks and the Egged bus station.

At a rally held at the Or cinema here yesterday, former Jewish Defence League Meir Kahane called for a Jewish counter-terror to stop Arab terrorism.

Safad principal 'not to blame,' granted leave

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — The headmaster of a state religious vocational high school here, Shlomo Ben-Lulu, has been granted leave, following the deaths of 21 of his pupils in the Ma'alot massacre. This was announced yesterday by the school's management committee, which said that Ben-Lulu was staying with relatives out of town and "undergoing psychiatric treatment."

The headmaster was reported forced to flee in fear of violence at the hands of bereaved parents, some of whom blamed him for "forcing" their children to go on the Gadna outing.

The committee stressed, however, that the headmaster could not be held responsible in any way for the tragedy, as he had acted in line with accepted procedures governing Gadna outings. "Every headmaster would have demanded that pupils take part in Gadna outings which are obligatory," the statement said.

The outing had been provided with an armed escort and Ben-Lulu had obtained all the necessary permits from the authorities concerned, the committee said.

AJC team seeks to aid Ma'alot

TEL AVIV. — A three-man delegation from the New York Chapter of the American Jewish Committee, which "adopted" Ma'alot in 1968, is due tomorrow to study ways and means of helping the northern border town.

The delegation is being accompanied by a CBS television team.

Rafi in minority

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A breakdown of the 302-36 vote at the Labour Party Central Committee, showed that most of the Rafi wing were against the motion presented by secretary-general Aharon Yadlin.

Rafi was joined by veteran working women leader Beba Idelson, who is a close associate of Prime Minister Golda Meir.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, Jewish Agency director-general Moshe Rivlin of Mapai, former MK Gavriel Cohen of Ahdut Ha'avoda and Rahel Yanait-Ben-Zvi were among the six who abstained. Information Minister Shimon Peres did not take part in this devisive vote.

Earlier, the Central Committee voted down by an overwhelming majority a proposal by Berl Repetur of Ahdut Ha'avoda to reverse the party's previous decision to form a new government and to decide on new elections with the present Cabinet remaining in office as a caretaker government. The minority supporting this proposal included Moshe Rivlin, Mordechai Ish-Shalom and Rahel Yanait-Ben Zvi of Mapai, Yitzhak Navon, Mordechai Ben-Porath and Aharon Remez of Rafi, and a number of Ahdut Ha'avoda members headed by Gavriel Cohen.

A proposal by Mordechai Surkis and Mordechai Ben-Porath to instruct the negotiating committee to open talks with Likud in order to form a national unity government was voted down by 262 votes to 48. The minority supporting this proposal comprised chiefly members of Rafi, including Shimon Peres, Shlomo Hillel and trade union leader Uriel Abramowitz of Mapai, and Moshe Carmel of Ahdut Ha'avoda were among the eight abstentions. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir insisted that a count be made on this vote.

Another proposal by party deputy secretary-general Moshe Nether of Rafi and Benny Marshak of Ahdut Ha'avoda to form a coalition on condition that it included the National Religious Party was also voted down by an overwhelming majority. Shimon Peres, Shlomo Hillel and Moshe Rivlin were among those who voted for it.

Kissinger plan

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Assad to "take it or leave it."

Yesterday's working session was largely devoted to an intensive examination of these other aspects. Mr. Anderson listed them as: the buffer zone, the limited forces zones, the U.N. presence, and PoW exchange. Dr. Kissinger will now take Israel's views on these issues to Damascus this morning, returning with Syrian responses to Jerusalem this evening. He told newsmen yesterday that he contemplates four more shuttle trips, wrapping up the disengagement accord by the weekend.

The formal signing is expected to take place at Geneva — although President Assad of Syria has not yet decided on this — since it would mean Syrian participation in the Middle East Peace Conference. (Syria boycotted the opening session of the Conference in the winter.)

The essence of the "Kissinger proposals," it has now been confirmed, concerned the demographic and security problems surrounding the town of Kuneitra, as well as the line of separation itself. Israel had agreed to return the town to Syria, but was anxious about the security problems that would arise from the resettlement there of tens of thousands of civilians.

Dr. Kissinger submitted to President Assad on Saturday a proposal involving a "security fence" that would effectively seal off the western sections of the town from the adjacent fields and orchards of the Israeli settlement of Merom Hagolan. The fence would be strengthened by mines and other security devices to make it impregnable and thus afford a measure of protection to the settlers. There would also be Israeli military patrols along the Israeli side of the fence.

There were reports yesterday that Israel had agreed to make over to the U.N. "Hermonit," the smallest of the three strategic hills around Kuneitra, but Israeli sources would not confirm this. One member of the negotiating team told *The Jerusalem Post:* "The public will be most favourably surprised when the details are published and when it is seen how carefully Israel's military and strategic interests have been taken into account."

The Cabinet devoted about 30 minutes of its weekly session yesterday to a report from Mrs. Meir about the U.S. proposals for disengagement. The Chief of Staff R/A Mordechai Gur was present with a huge sheaf of maps.

The official Cabinet communique said there was a brief discussion and further contacts with the Secretary of State were approved. No formal decisions were taken.

'Sternists' bomb Soviet car in New York

NEW YORK (JTA). — A car belonging to the Soviet mission to the U.N. was firebombed early yesterday morning in the Far Rockaway section of the city. A witness told police he saw a young man pouring gasoline on the car and then setting it on fire.

An unidentified caller told both UPI and AP news offices here that the firebombing was the work of a group which he identified as the "Sternist Committee" and said it was in reprisal for Soviet action against Jews.

The caller reportedly also said such reprisals would continue as long as the Soviet Union continues its policy of discrimination against Jews.

Police said it was the first time they had heard of the "Sternist Committee."

Turkey headed for political crisis

ANKARA (UPI). — The Republican People's Party headed by Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit yesterday decided to withdraw from Turkey's coalition Government, sending the country toward another political crisis. No reason for the move was given.

Ecevit formed the shaky coalition with the ultra-conservative NSP on January 26 to end 104 days of caretaker government rule following inconclusive national elections. Ecevit last week threatened to resign over a disputed amnesty bill, which reduced to 12 years the life sentences for three Americans convicted on drug charges but excluded Government-backed provisions to include political prisoners.

Syria to expand vehicle capacity, electric power

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

Syria has signed a contract for setting up a vehicle-assembly plant with the Spanish Iberica company, in which the Canadian Massey-Ferguson Corp. holds a minority interest. The plant will be located at Aleppo, and have an initial production capacity of 3,000 tractors a year, but trucks and agricultural equipment are also to be produced at later stages.

The contract provides that the production's added value must reach 55 per cent after five years.

The initial paid-up capital of the joint company will be close to $4m., of which the Syrian government will subscribe 75 per cent. However, Iberica has been given the option to increase its share to 49 per cent. The total investment envisaged is $17m., the bulk of which is to be raised in the international money market.

The company — named Al Furat — has been guaranteed a fixed profit margin of 12 per cent over cost, and has been exempted from all taxes, both direct and indirect. Iberica has also been guaranteed against nationalization, and against loss due to political decisions or internal unrest.

Another major project to be launched in Syria is the Mehardeh (at the Orontes River) power station, which is to have a capacity of 125MW. The project — including some ancillary installations — is to cost $63m., of which $25m., will be provided by a World Bank loan, and another $18m. by a long-term loan from the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (repayable over 20 years at four per cent interest).

Syria's electricity consumption is expected to increased by over 20 per cent annually in the next few years, and the Mehardeh plant is only one of the projects in the planned expansion. By 1979, Syria's power stations are expected to reach an aggregate capacity of 1,250MW — four times the present figure. The expansion plan calls for a $460m. investment.

Autocars discounts cited in court

HAIFA. — The trial of Yitzhak Shubinsky, the former managing-director of Autocars, continued in the District Court here yesterday with prosecution witness Shimon Segev taking the stand for the third successive session.

Shubinsky is being charged with attempting to gain favour with 13 senior army officers and government officials having ties with his firm by selling them or their relatives cars at a reduced price.

In his testimony yesterday, Segev, who was sales manager at Autocars until March, 1970, described three more of the sales mentioned in the charge sheet, noting that all special sales had to be authorized either by Shubinsky himself or by his assistant.

One of these was the sale in 1969 to Aluf Avraham Tamir — at the time a senior officer in the Army's Quartermaster Corps — of a used Carmel car for IL1,000 down-payment and 40 instalments of IL100 at no interest. Segev noted that this was the only case he was aware of that such easy terms of sale were agreed to.

Another sale Segev described at yesterday's hearing was that of a Triumph 1500 worth IL14,915 which went for IL12,900, in 1968, to Chief Vehicle Tester Moshe Koppel of the Haifa Licensing Office. Two years later, Koppel allegedly traded in the car at the factory for a new Triumph 1300 worth IL13,600-IL14,000 and received IL12,000 for his old car. Segev noted that this discount was highly unusual, and even fleet-owning firms buying several vehicles at a time received at the most a IL400 or IL500 discount on each vehicle.

The third sale dealt with at yesterday's session was that of a new Triumph 1300 to David Zalman, an engineer employed by the Transport Ministry to inspect all locally-produced vehicles, at a IL902 discount. The prosecution told the Court that it was on Zalman's recommendation that permits were issued to all Autocars vehicles.

The trial will continue tomorrow, Tuesday. *(Itim)*

The unveiling of the tombstone of our
ROSA SOLTANOVICH ז"ל
will take place at the Holon Cemetery
on Tuesday, May 21, at 3.30 p.m.
Sulim Soltanovich
Family Stein Soltanovich

The Jewish Youth
of the Kadimah Club, Rome
were shocked by the tragedy in Ma'alot
and express their sympathy
to the bereaved families
and to the youth of Safad.

Under hail of bullets at Ma'alot

Brother, sister save each other

By YESHAYAHU ASHNI, Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — Galil Maimon, a 21-year-old disabled ex-soldier, yesterday described how he had carried his wounded young sister out of the Ma'alot school last Wednesday under a hail of gunfire — after his sister had saved him from a terrorist bullet.

Galil, who runs a TV service shop here, told *The Jerusalem Post* that his mother had woken him at 6 o'clock on Wednesday, and anxiously told him that his sister, Zippora, 15, was being held by terrorists at Ma'alot. He immediately jumped into his car and "drove like mad" to Ma'alot. But as a civilian he could not get past the police barriers. Borrowing an army shirt from a soldier to whom he had given a lift, he worked his way up to the advance line of troops facing the school.

"I saw four children at the window and tried to encourage them by waving to them," Galil said. One of the terrorists took a shot at him, "which passed a few centimetres over my head." Later he learned that the terrorist had pointed him out to the children and told them he would "shoot him down." His sister, who had not recognised him, jumped at the terrorist and pushed him to deflect his aim, thus possibly saving Galil's life.

He stayed with the force, not eating or drinking, until 5.25 in the evening, when the Israeli assault began. "I closed my eyes, clenched my fists and ran forward. The soldiers tried to stop me two or three times, shouting at me that it was enough that my sister was in mortal danger, without my endangering myself as well. But no force could have stopped me. I charged on towards the school. A volley of bullets hit the ground near my feet and I stopped to take shelter behind a tree. Then I heard a single shot from inside the school and the terrible cries of the children. I said to myself, better to die with them, and started running forward again.

"I jumped over a fence and into the schoolyard. There I started screaming 'Zipi, Zipi, are you still alive?' Later it turned out that she had spotted me and jumped out of the window to get to me. She fell, hit by grenade fragments, injured in the spine, arm and foot. I found her lying under the window, crying, unable to crawl towards me. I took her in my arms and started running back. I ran sideways to shield her with my back from the rain of bullets. Fortunately, they did not hit us."

Galil said that all the way back Zipi had shouted at him, "Leave me, I can manage, there are more seriously wounded girls inside."

"I only grasped her closer and ran like mad to cover the last 500 metres away from the school. When I made it the boys started kissing me and slapping my back. We put Zipi in a jeep, which rushed her to the first aid station."

He tried to return to the school to rescue more children, but this time the soldiers pinned him down and stopped him. "I dont think I did anything heroic. Any person with human feelings would have done the same, had he heard those terrible screams," Galil said.

He had been badly wounded in the shoulder, in 1970. During the Yom Kippur war he tried to volunteer, but was rejected. Borrowing an army uniform, he went to the Golan, where he evacuated wounded soldiers in his car, twice narrowly escaping being killed.

Henry Kissinger thanks the police outriders who have been escorting him between Jerusalem and Ben-Gurion Airport umpteen times in the past three weeks. The scene is outside the Foreign Minister's residence in Rehavia, yesterday afternoon. (Tova Weiss)

Bus driver charged in Nasr kidnap

A Jerusalem bus driver was indicted in the District Court over the weekend for kidnapping in February of local newspaper editor Youssef Nasri Nasr.

The indictment charged that Yasser Karaki, driver for an Arab-owned bus company, had agreed to kidnap Nasr at the request of another Jerusalemite whose identity is not known, and engaged others to help him.

The charge said the kidnappers entered Nasr's house using a key and lay in wait for him on the night of February 6. Nasr left the "Al-Fajr" office in East Jerusalem after midnight. When he arrived home, they seized him at pistol-point and tied him up. They then gagged him and took him to a car waiting outside.

According to the indictment, the kidnappers drove towards Hebron, Karaki leaving the others before he knew their exact destination.

Although it is feared Nasr was murdered, and the police have launched several searches, the body has not been recovered. *(Itim)*

Hoover for better homes

IAF helicopter pilot buried in Beersheba

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — An Air Force major, who was killed when his helicopter was shot down near Ismailia during the Yom Kippur war, was buried here yesterday with full military honours.

For some time it was hoped that the major, Max Marom (Manning), had been taken prisoner because his wrecked helicopter was shown on Egyptian TV. His body was returned only a few days ago.

Rav-Seren Marom, born in Chicago, was killed on a medical rescue mission near Ismailia on October 17, five days after his wife gave birth to a daughter.

Law courts reminded of work hours

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The wheels of justice may start grinding a little faster in some cities with the posting yesterday of new administrative orders by the Justice Minister regulating the sitting hours of judges.

The regulations do not change or expand the hours during which courts must sit, but merely give the mantle of law to what has heretofore been no more than accepted practice in Jerusalem, although not in all cities. The regulations are based on the Judges Law, 1953.

The regulations stipulate that Courts shall sit from 8.30 a.m. until at least 1.30 p.m., with a recess from 11 to 11.30 a.m. (During Court recess, from mid-July till the end of August, when duty judges hear only cases of exceptional urgency, courts shall sit from 9 a.m. until at least 12 noon.)

Judges completing cases on their calendar before 1.30, shall start hearing a new case or handle an urgent application brought before them. They should complete hearing the testimony of witnesses, even if in so doing they extend the court session past 1.30. This should be done to save witnesses the trouble of a second court appearance.

The regulations apply to civil and criminal cases heard before District, Magistrate's and Traffic Courts. Aggrieved citizens have the right to complain to the Director of the Courts Administration.

Because of the backlog in the courts, civil disputants have in recent years increasingly resorted to arbitration, rather than wait for their cases to come up in court.

Security tightened over country

Volunteers sign up for civil guard

Jerusalem Post Staff

Police have tightened security measures in the northern region during the past 48 hours, to forestall any further terrorist attempts to strike at population centres. Constables conducted searches in schools, public buildings and factories in the Afula, Nazareth and Tiberias areas. The police are being aided by volunteers from the civil guards that are being established almost everywhere.

In Ma'alot, life has returned to normal. All schools were open yesterday with full attendance, workers returned to their jobs and the residents of the houses near the Netiv Meir school were back home. But the 200 Arab workers from neighbouring Tarshiha who work in Ma'alot still stayed away. Works committees have been asked to visit them and assure them that they can return without fear.

The local action committee reconvened on Saturday night, and decided to hold another demonstration this morning in Jerusalem's Zion Square, which they intend to rename "Ma'alot Victims Square" for the day. The demonstrators say they will march up Ben Yehuda Street and along King George Avenue to the Premier's residence to demand security, education, and more immigrants and industry for their town.

In Haifa, the police yesterday opened recruiting stations for the civil guard, which is to supplement the 100 Hagana veterans who started armed patrols a week ago. Volunteers can apply at the downtown Police H.Q., at the Coastal Police station in the port, and at the Kiryat Haim station.

The Technion management has reinforced the armed guard on the campus and patrols are now on duty day and night. The Students' Union is mobilising dozens of students to reinforce the guard, most of them as volunteers.

At the Hebrew University in Jerusalem checking of cars and pedestrians at entrance points has been tightened and additional security patrols have been laid on. The National Union of Students yesterday sent a proposal to the Defence and Police Ministries and to the Prime Minister's Office, offering students to man offices enlisting volunteers for guard duty at potential terrorist targets. The students would spearhead the volunteer effort, each student giving a weekly quota of hours.

In other parts of the country, hundreds of volunteers have already registered and will be given assignments within a few days. Rishon Lezion police chief, Superintendent Gavriel Steinberg, said that over 100 residents, including Mayor Hanania Gibstein, had signed up and that the first civil patrols will start working this evening.

The National Police spokesman, Chief Superintendent Nahum Bosmi, told The Jerusalem Post that the civil guards will be unarmed at first. But the police are looking into the possibility of arming them, he said.

There has also been an increase in applications for firearms permits in the last few days, the spokesman said. The police tend to be more liberal in granting permits, provided the applicants do not have criminal records.

An Education Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem said yesterday that additional funds for the fencing and lighting of school buildings are being made available. The Ministry is also considering the appointment of regional safety supervisors to supervise safety arrangements at schools.

Meanwhile, Ministry officials are checking the standing orders on precautions to be taken during school outings, including the rule forbidding weapons to be kept in closed buildings. The spokesman pointed out that these regulations are made by the security authorities and merely enforced by the Ministry. Guidelines for the conduct of teachers during emergencies are also to be reviewed in the light of the new conditions. Rules for sports and student missions abroad may also be reviewed.

The chairmen of the Council of Local Authorities met in Jerusalem yesterday and decided on a series of new safety measures for schools, including volunteer guards by parents and other citizens. The meeting was attended by the Directors-General of the Education and Interior Ministries.

The two-member inquiry committee appointed last Thursday by Police Inspector-General Shaul Rosolio to examine police procedures in granting permits for organized excursions was expected to submit its findings yesterday evening.

Jerusalem Council rejects Schneller development plan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Municipal Council, sitting as the Local Planning Commission, yesterday threw out the development plan for the 80-dunam Schneller Compound, the largest land reserve in northern Jerusalem. The plan, adopted by the Municipal Planning Subcommittee during the last term, had called for building two hotels and a large residential area within the compound which, since 1948, has been occupied by the army.

Objections were raised by the Municipal Planning Division, which said that needs for public utilities such as hospitals and schools and open space must be examined before the tract is handed over to private builders.

The Commission accepted objections made by the public to plans for Denmark Square in Beit Hakerem, and threw out most of this plan too, including a proposal for a 14-storey building and a parking lot beneath the square.

It permitted, however, the construction of a seven-storey building atop the existing supermarket.

Deputy Mayor Meron Benvenisti said that, because of commitments that had already been made by the Municipality, rejection of the building would have involved prohibitively heavy compensation payments.

Most of the public objections had been on the grounds that the heavy densities called for would change the character of Beit Hakerem.

The Commission began consideration of the Planning Subcommittee's recommendation to reject the Broadcasting Authority's request to build a Broadcasting House adjacent to its existing television studios in Romema. The subcommittee preferred a site in the new district of Ramot, north of the city.

The Authority has acquired a 17-dunam tract in Romema, but the Municipal Planning Division objects to overloading the area.

An Authority spokesman said last night that the offered site was too remote for quick processing of news. Broadcasting House would initially serve as the main television studio, but would eventually house radio operations as well.

At the meeting, Mayor Teddy Kollek, noting public concern over the possibility of terrorist activity in Jerusalem, said a sense of perspective was necessary. Before 1967, he recalled, the city was divided by barbed wire across which Jordanian troops periodically fired at civilian targets.

Tourism wants university men

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry of Tourism is planning a course which would attract people with academic degrees in various professions into the hotel industry.

The plan was revealed at the weekend by the Minister, Moshe Kol, who said it constituted a further effort to raise Israel's tourist facilities to the top international level.

He was speaking at the presentation of managerial certificates to managers of 43 tourist-class hotels in a ceremony at the Tadmor Hotel School in Herzliya.

The law requires that all managers of tourist-class hotels of more than 30 rooms hold Tourism Ministry certificates. In the case of "imported" hotel managers the law is little more than a formality, and among the 43 recipients of certificates last Friday were hotel specialists with wide international experience. These included Eric Preufer, new manager of the Inter-Continental in Jerusalem, E.D. Florin of the Tel Aviv Hilton, and a Catholic priest, Father Antonio Berardi of the Casanova Hotel in Nazareth.

Mr. Preufer, a graduate of the Austrian Hotel School and the International College at Herne Bay, England, has served as manager for the Inter-Continental chain for the past eight years. His last post was manager of the Helsinki Inter-Continental.

Farkas freed, gets job as nature reserve keeper

TEL AVIV. — Nahman Farkas, one of Israel's best known petty criminals, is to exchange his prisoners' togs for a warden's uniform — taking a job on the side of the law in one of the country's national parks.

Avraham Yoffe, MK, director of the Nature Reserves Authority, worked through a citizens' group to have Farkas released from prison yesterday so that he can rehabilitate himself as a warden in one of the Authority's reserves. Farkas was serving a jail term for 18 convictions on counts of disorderly conduct, trespassing, damaging property and threatening a policeman.

He was arrested last year in a cave he had been living in near Safad.

Aluf (res.) Yoffe decided to give him a chance to return to nature, but this time in a capacity useful to society. Farkas agreed, and has promised his benefactors — who include, in addition to Yoffe, Transport Minister Aharon Yariv and the journalist Yehezkiel Adiram — — that he "would not let them down."

An account has been opened for him at a Tel Aviv bank, and if his rehabilitation proves successful, he will be joined by his wife, Geula, and son, Sue, who are present in the U.S. with his sister.

The citizens' committee intends helping other criminals or their families. *(Itim)*

Thai Defence College delegation here

A delegation from the national defence college of Thailand, headed by Lieut.-General Chaven Young Charoen, arrived last night by TWA, as guests of the Israel Defence Forces.

The delegation, which numbers 22 students, will tour the country and visit IDF and Defence Industry installations.

Back to pre-war pace'

'74 exports should top $1,500m.

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Industrial exports, planned in the National Budget to reach $1,265m. this year, will in fact top $1,500m., according to latest estimates in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

The increase over last year's figure will be $300m., or one quarter. Half the rise represents price increases, so in volume terms industrial exports are expected to swell by 12 or 13 per cent, according to Ya'acov Appel, Chief Economist in the Ministry's Foreign Trade Division.

The sale of diamonds will be $800m., instead of a predicted $700m. Other industrial goods will reach $900m., instead of $765m.

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, Appel commented: "Production has recovered from the slump period more rapidly than expected. We are back at the pre-war pace of export growth."

During the first four months of 1974, industrial exports, excluding diamonds and petroleum, rose by 13 per cent. This represents an increase in real terms of 10 per cent over the peacetime performance in January-April 1973 (as prices have gone up since then by 25 per cent).

Yet the trade deficit widened, because the import bill soared by 35 per cent — this despite the fact that the real increase in imports was zero (and there may even have been a slight decline). Responsible for the inflation of world prices, which shot up (for Israel's imports) by over 50 per cent in the 12-month period.

The prospect ahead is that export prices will now catch up a little, and rise more than import prices — which should improve the terms of trade for Israel after their severe deterioration last year. This trend represents in fact a slowdown of the excessive rise in raw material prices (Israel's main imports), as compared with manufactured goods (her main exports).

"When oil and primary-product prices have climbed so steeply, a substantial rise in industrial prices must follow as an after-effect," Appel says. "It is happening more slowly, because the Western powers are trying to restrain price inflation."

Whether Israel can benefit from the overall trend depends on the state of world markets. If the imbalance created by the explosion of primary-commodity prices causes not only a belated ascent of industrial prices, but also import restrictions and a trade recession, then Israel's exporters will face problems.

Another difficulty derives from the inflation of local production costs. A committee representing the Ministry, the Export Institute and the Manufacturers Association calculated recently that the profitability of industrial exports improved by two per cent last year. Recent adjustments in the tax-refund arrangements have so far prevented any setback since then — but the wage increases now being negotiated, and the Cost-of-Living allowance due in July, will eat into exporters' reserves.

"Export prices are also going up," Ministry men point out reassuringly. However, they concede that "if wage costs go up more, we shall have to review the situation."

Still more dangerous for the balance of payments is a possible resumption of the boom in imports. The purchase of foreign goods did not expand in the first quarter of the present year, because consumption lagged while many reservists were still in uniform. But since then the spending spree has been resumed — and this could undermine efforts to narrow the trade gap.

Ex-Quartermaster as investment chief

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Moshe Goren, a brigadier in the reserves, was yesterday appointed by the Cabinet as director of the Investments Centre at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. (He replaces Yeshayahu Stopper, who has resigned).

Goren, 53, had a long career in the IDF, and was appointed O.C. Quartermasters Branch in 1960 — to which he returned, in the Yom Kippur War, as Aide to the O.C. In 1969, he headed an affiliate of the Maritime Fruit Company, handling oil exploration and transport of gas in tanker vessels.

Ephraim Reiner, the director of Te'us, the Histadrut's industrial investment company, was appointed as a member of the Bank of Israel advisory committee and the advisory council, in place of Haim Zadok, who is now Minister of Justice.

THE 13TH ANNUAL conference of the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers Associations will be opened at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv, this morning by Transport Minister Aharon Yariv.

Insurance premiums reach IL1,250m.

TEL AVIV. — Insurance premiums in 1973 totalled an estimated IL1,250m., a 40 per cent increase over the previous year, Yehuda Grungart, chairman of the Insurance Association, said here yesterday.

Briefing newsmen at Beit Sokolow prior to the opening of the Association's annual general meeting, due to open at B'nai B'rith House here today, Mr. Grungart said that elementary insurance for 1973 is expected to have come to some IL950m., and life insurance, to about IL300m. He said this makes the Israel insurance industry the 16th largest in the world.

The industry is still losing heavily on car insurance, Mr. Grungart said, noting that last year's losses came to some IL56m. He said one of the major topics at the coming conference will be injury insurance for persons hurt in road accidents, regardless of responsibility. He added that this is a subject that will be discussed with the Justice Ministry. *(Itim)*

Tax-free rent for immigrant flats

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Landlords who rent apartments to new immigrants at rentals not exceeding IL700 monthly will be able to enjoy income tax exemption on these earnings for another year when the Government tables the appropriate legislation in the Knesset and it becomes law.

The Cabinet decided yesterday at its weekly session to extend the previous legislation, which was in effect till March 18 this year, and which granted the tax exemption on rentals up to IL550 monthly.

The new bill would be effective from April 1, 1974 to March 31, 1975.

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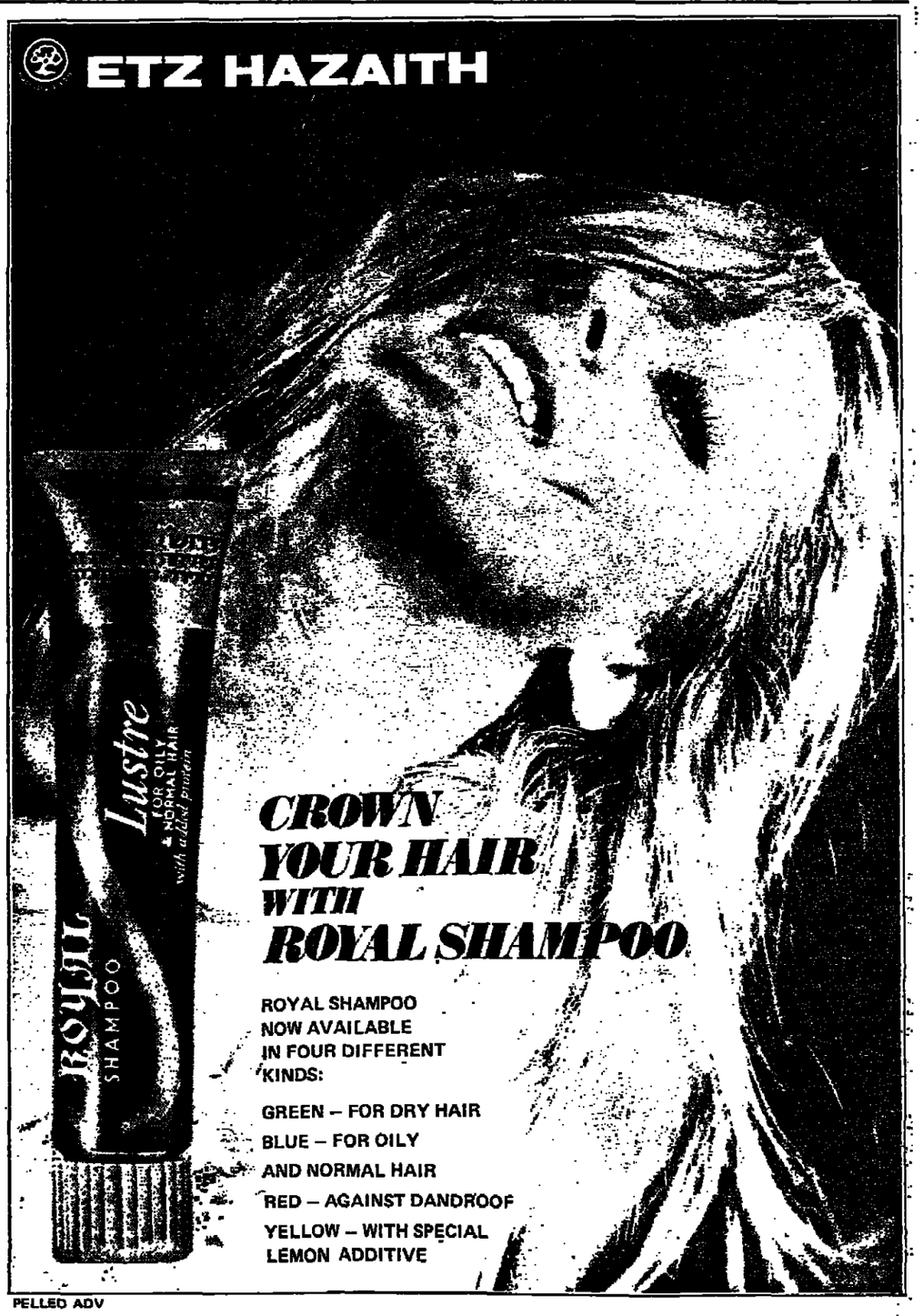

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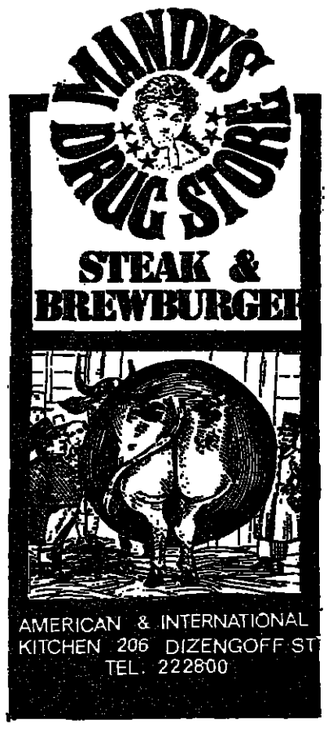

INDIANS HAPPY ABOUT THEIR NUCLEAR BLAST

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — India's successful entry into the nuclear club has won wide approval here, though the reaction from its nearest neighbour, Pakistan, was one of concern.

Observers said Saturday's underground explosion of a plutonium device, which made India the sixth member of the select nuclear club of the big powers, was certain to send a euphoric wave of nationalism across the country.

Already applause for the achievement has come from the bitterest of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's opponents such as the Right-wing Hindu nationalist Jan Sang party and leaders of the opposition within her own Congress Party.

Mrs. Gandhi said there was "nothing to be excited about" in the pre-dawn blast, which had a force equivalent to between 10 and 15 kilotons of TNT.

Both she and the Atomic Energy Commission reiterated several times that the purpose of the explosion was peaceful and that India remained strongly opposed to the manufacture of nuclear weapons.

Pakistan's initial reaction to the blast, which was believed to have occurred near the border, came as no surprise.

Observers said hawkish elements in Islamabad were expected to view the development as support for their belief that India is out to destroy the Moslem nation.

In Islamabad, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said India's nuclear explosion must be viewed with concern, especially by neighbouring countries, despite Indian contentions that the test had been carried out for peaceful purposes.

The blast had also dealt a death blow to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty, he said. Pakistani Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto once said that if India went nuclear, Pakistan would also produce a bomb, "even if we have to eat grass."

Pakistan was expected to protest to India about radioactive fallout from the explosion, though Atomic Energy Commission Chairman Homi Sethna said the explosion had been totally contained.

He said the test had been carried out to find out the cratering effect and see how far it helped crush the rock in the sub-structure of the earth.

"Both ways we considered it to be successful and there was no radioactivity," he said.

Informed sources said India may now use nuclear blasts to cut canals in the Rajasthan deserts and also to look for essential non-ferrous metals.

But despite the Indian statements there were certain to be continued doubts around the world about India's ultimate nuclear ambitions. The country has two atomic power stations already functioning and work is in progress on two more. It has rich deposits of uranium.

Weary contributors to India's aid bowl may also be expected to raise eye-brows at the building of a costly nuclear device, especially at a time when the national economy is under considerable strain because of inflation and shortages.

No cost estimates have been announced of yesterday's explosion. But a United Nations body in 1968 said it would cost India some £708 million over a 10-year period to develop its own nuclear striking capability, and costs have risen since then.

Some diplomatic sources thought that current moves to normalise relations on the sub-continent following the 1971 war may have received a setback because of the Indian action.

But it may also bring about a new image for India in the whole of Asia and lead to a new respect for India from China, which is also opposed to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty.

Peking's Hsinhua news agency yesterday reported the explosion without comment. Hsinhua, in a broadcast monitored in Tokyo, quoted the Press Trust of India.

The Japanese government, and all four opposition parties expressed regret over the Indian nuclear test.

Nancy Kissinger (right), wife of the U.S. Secretary of State, visiting the tomb of Saladin in Damascus on Saturday. (AP radiophoto)

...but Rakha is still hungry

NEW DELHI (AP). — The Indian government woke up on Sunday a nuclear power. Rakha woke up hungry.

The 40-year-old day labourer had not even heard of his country's first atomic test blast. Told it exploded on Saturday, he showed little interest.

"It's beyond my intelligence to know anything about a bomb," he told a visitor to his streetside camp. "My only ambition is to feed my children and my wife."

Higher levels of Indian society were jubilant at their country's becoming the world's sixth nuclear power. Politicians and newspapers from the Moscow-lining "Patriot" to the right-wing "Motherland" hailed the blast as a grand national achievement.

"Indian genius triumphs," headlined the middle-of-the-road "Hindustan Times." "Nation is thrilled."

"This will show the world that we're not all stupid and backward," said D. Gupta, a New Delhi service station owner. "It will show the world that India does have some talent."

About the time newspaper readers were getting details of the underground test in the Rajasthan desert, Rakha and his wife gave their five children a chunk of bread for Sunday morning breakfast.

They and scores of other destitute families have spotted one of New Delhi's streets with their bedrolls in the dust. The first to come claimed sewer pipes for shelter. Rakha got only the side of a brick wall.

"Look at the oven there," he said, gesturing at a small hole flanked by rocks. "There is no fire in it because there is nothing to cook. The children are weeping because they don't have enough to eat."

Rakha brought his family to New Delhi from Bihar in Eastern India on a promise of land redistribution from Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. He took her at her word and came to get his land.

That was four months ago. Since them he has been working as a day labourer when he can. When he can't he goes to government offices to claim the land he thinks he is due.

"They don't give me any hope," he said. "For the last four days I have not had any jobs. If this continues, I will go back home."

Several young educated Indians speaking over drinks at a Saturday night gathering questioned the wisdom of Mrs. Gandhi's decision to devote resources to nuclear explosions when millions of Indian poor like Rakha can't get enough to eat.

"That kind of thing I don't argue about," Rakha said when asked for his opinion. "I don't know anything about it. It's for her to decide. I'm only worried about my wife and children."

Accurate estimates of how much Mrs. Gandhi spent to get her nuclear blast are unavailable.

'Tapes show Kissinger requested phone taps'

KEY BISCAYNE, Florida (UPI). — The White House yesterday declined comment on a conflict between President Nixon and Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger over who ordered telephone taps placed on governmental officials suspected of leaking secret information to newsmen.

According to a story by Knight Newspapers, a presidential tape recording shows that Nixon told John W. Dean III, his former Counsel, on February 28, 1973, that Kissinger had asked for the telephone taps to discover the source of leaks of national security information.

Kissinger, however, in testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations committee during his confirmation hearings last September, said that while he had supplied the names of people with access to sensitive information, he had "never recommended the practice of wire tapping."

Deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren, asked about the apparent conflict, declined to comment on what he described as such "selective leaks" from presidential tape recordings. But he did defend Kissinger's account of the incident by saying his testimony before the Senate Committee was "completely consistent with the facts."

The article, quoting from a portion of the tape recording which was deleted from the White House transcript, said Nixon described Kissinger's role in the wiretapping thus:

"I know that he asked that it be done. And I assumed that it was."

The telephone taps were carried out for almost two years early in Nixon's first term when Kissinger was on the White House staff as National Security Adviser to the President.

Several members of the House Judiciary Committee who heard the February 28 tape said last week that they found no significant discrepancy between it and the transcript. However, the transcript of that tape contains three notations saying "material unrelated to presidential action deleted" — one of them in the midst of a conversation about bugging.

SIXTH BODY FOUND AT SLA HIDEOUT

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A sixth body was found in the charred rubble of a suspected Symbionese Liberation Army hideout, police said yesterday. They said it was so badly disfigured that not even its sex could be immediately determined.

The Los Angeles County Coroner's office began work immediately in an effort to identify the body.

Five other bodies found in the rubble of the house beseiged by police on Friday have been identified as SLA leader "Cinque" and four other suspected members of the terrorist group which claims to have kidnapped newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst on February 4.

The Coroner said Saturday that Miss Hearst was not among the victims whose bodies were discovered Friday night.

The sixth body was found by medical examiners who had been sifting through rubble following the shootout and fire at the house.

Coroner Thomas Noguchi said he would hold a news conference as soon as the identity of the latest victim was established.

Miss Hearst is sought as a material witness in a San Francisco bank robbery staged by the SLA on April 15.

The FBI and police established that at least three of those killed Friday took part in the bank robbery.

They were Donald Defreeze, alias the "General Field Marshal Cinque" who came into prominence on tape recordings sent to the Hearst family, Nancy Ling Perry, 26, SLA theoretician; and Patricia Soltysik also known as "Mizmoon," who died on her 24th birthday.

Other SLA members killed were William Wolfe, 23, son of a Pennsylvania physician, and Angela Atwood, 25, a onetime Indiana schoolteacher.

Jewish and Arab demonstrators clash at Hyde Park Corner, London, during a protest march yesterday. Some 2,000 pro-Arab demonstrators tried to march on the Israel Embassy, to protest the Israeli bombing of Lebanon last week. They ran head-on into a large group of Jews who turned out to mark the anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel, according to the Gregorian calendar. Fist fights erupted as the Arab group left Hyde Park to walk down Park Lane. Police later said 13 men had been arrested and two marchers were in hospital. (AP radiophoto)

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Results of Australian election still unclear

SYDNEY (AP). — Australians may not know who their new government will be for two weeks, following a surprisingly close finish in Saturday's national elections.

The latest figures carried by the government-owned television network last night put the state of the parties after counting at 62 seats for Labour, 59 for the Liberal and Country parties, and six seats undecided.

Pre-election polls had predicted that Labour would be an easy winner. The outcome of the final six seats will decide the fate of Gough Whitlam's Labour government, which has been in power since December 1972.

His opponent Bill Snedden, 47, said at a press conference in Melbourne yesterday that, as things stood, it looked as though Labour would be returned to office with a reduced majority. However, he said, he felt he "still had a chance" to be Australia's next prime minister, "But the result may not be known for a week or two."

Whitlam later said there would have to be electoral changes. The Labour Party had received the biggest percentage of votes it had ever had, but the distribution of seats had deprived it of a majority in the House, he said.

In the Senate, Labour appears to have a strong chance of winning 31 of the 60 seats.

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Portugal sounds out colonies on future

LISBON (UPI). — Portugal's Overseas Minister Antonio Santos left yesterday for Angola and Mozambique to sound the opinion of the two provinces' black and white population groups about their future.

His visit is part of the provisional government's efforts towards bringing about peace in the overseas territories. On May 25 representatives of the African Party of Independence of Guinea and the Cape Verde Islands and the Portuguese government will meet in London to work out a cease-fire agreement for Guinea.

The previous government's inability to solve the problem of the three African wars was the main incentive to the army's April 25 coup.

Santos, Minister for Interterritorial Coordination in the new government, said he would meet all representatives of political opinion in Angola and Mozambique and expected to spend three days in each province.

However, groups in both Angola and Mozambique over the weekend indicated they would continue to fight Portuguese colonialism.

A top Frelimo leader in Dar-es-Salaam said in a radio interview yesterday that the guerrilla war in Mozambique would continue, and be intensified, until the new Lisbon government gave it clear assurances of independence. And, in Detroit, a spokesman for Angolan rebels told an African Liberation Day rally on Saturday that they would carry on "until we have an African government."

Kulei Chingunki, a spokesman for the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, rejected a Portuguese cease-fire proposal as "ridiculous." He said in Detroit his group would not negotiate a cease-fire with General Spinola's junta until it agrees to complete self-determination for the Angolan people and the release of all Angolan political prisoners.

Meanwhile, in the Portuguese capital, the Public Information Service of the armed forces movement — the power behind the government — circulated photographs of members of the disbanded State Security Police (DGS) who had not surrendered voluntarily by Saturday's deadline. Newspapers published pictures of 29 of some of the ex-DGS members wanted for questioning by army officials.

Only a scattering of the ousted Portuguese regime's political police had presented themselves to the new authorities when the deadline for showing up passed at noon Saturday, according to reports in Lisbon. Of the 3,000 agents, some 900 have officially been reported arrested. The official radio said another 50 have surrendered in Lisbon and a few others elsewhere.

'Greek prisoners being tortured'

LONDON (Reuter). — Amnesty International, the London-based international civil rights organization, yesterday expressed alarm at what it called a new wave of deliberate and systematic torture in Greece.

The independent group, which campaigns for the release of political prisoners, named 12 people, including trade union leader Antonios Ambatielos and actor Dimitrios Tokos. These, it said, had been tortured by various means including electric shock, beatings, enforced standing and sexual violations. Two of the 12 were women, it said.

ARAB COUNCIL

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its dissatisfaction over the Kremlin's efforts to counter Kissinger's diplomatic success in achieving the Egyptian-Israeli troops separation.

The observers also expressed the opinion that the turning point in Kissinger's three-week shuttle between Israel and Syria followed concessions by the two sides at the urging of President Nixon following the Ma'alot outrage.

The Americans were said to have held that radical Arab terrorist elements should not be given the chance of torpedoing the dialogue now involving Israel, Egypt, Jordan and Syria.

The Americans were reported to be insistent that the Golan fighting be halted and that the Syrian front be neutralized — as was the case with Egypt — in order to allow for a better political dialogue between Israel and the neighbouring states.

The sources said that neutralizing the Syrian front would lead to the isolation of the terrorists in Lebanon, who would eventually have to cooperate with Egypt and Syria to avoid facing Israel alone.

The assessment is that if Kissinger does persuade the Syrians to agree to Israel's latest views on disengagement, the neighbouring Arab states would pressure the terrorists to go along with their policy — or leave them the alternative for clashing with the Arab governments that have chosen military disengagement and a political settlement with Israel. In the latter case, the terrorist problem will not be only Israel's.

Bomb at Heathrow Airport

State of emergency in Northern Ireland

BELFAST (UPI). — The government declared a state of emergency yesterday, giving it the right to use troops to maintain Northern Ireland's essential services during the six-day-old Protestant general strike.

Northern Ireland Secretary of State Merlyn Rees announced the move only hours after the militant Ulster Workers Council (UWC) threatened to black out the province by shutting down all five of its power stations at midnight last night.

Government sources said troops were being flown in to operate the power stations, but would only do so as a last resort.

The strike was called by the UWC and other militant Protestant groups to protest a recent agreement establishing links between the mainly Protestant north and the largely Catholic Irish Republic to the south. The strike has been slowly strangling commercial life in the province since Wednesday.

Businessmen said yesterday serious food shortages were beginning to develop in the region and large stores of meat and fresh food stranded on the docks had started to rot. Only one power station was still operating yesterday and large areas were already blacked out.

Police yesterday identified the 1,022nd victim of Ireland's five-year-old chronic violence as Joe Shaw, a 22-year-old Catholic with a Protestant wife. He was shot Saturday night as he sat drinking in a bar in his largely Protestant neighbourhood near central Belfast.

Yesterday the Irish troubles spilled over into London. A suspected Irish Republican Army (IRA) time bomb exploded in a parking lot at Heathrow International Airport about 11.30 a.m. shattering windows and injuring several persons, police said. A police spokesman said two traffic wardens at the car park were hospitalized with wounds and a number of other persons were treated for shock at the scene.

The blast outside the terminal for flights to Europe and the British Irelands set off the petrol tanks of two other cars in a chain reaction, terrifying thousands of passengers waiting for planes. As the cars disintegrated and glass crashed in the terminal floor, they fled in all directions.

The explosion came a few minutes after a man with an Irish accent called a local news agency and told them two bombs were about to go off at the airport. Police said the caller used a code-word given in similar bombings attributed to the IRA.

Police sealed off the airport temporarily and cancelled all flights at the European terminal while they searched for the anonymous caller's second bomb, but nothing was found.

All British Airways flights to Israel were suspended while reports of another bomb at the airport were being checked out. At press-time last night, it was not reported whether the flights had been resumed.

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Makarios meets Mao in 'cordial' session

PEKING (Reuter). — Chinese Communist Party Chairman Mao Tse-tung and Archbishop Makarios, President of Cyprus, had "cordial and friendly" talks here Saturday night, it was announced yesterday.

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ISRAEL TELLS U.N. COUNCIL

Ma'alot killers came from Lebanon

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Israel told the Security Council on Saturday it had proof that the three Arab killers of 25 Israelis in Ma'alot last Wednesday had slipped in from Lebanon two nights before.

Israeli delegate Jacob Doron added, in a letter to the Council, that the organization claiming responsibility for the massacre "is located in Lebanon" and the government there accords "murder organizations complete freedom of action in its territory."

He concluded that "the entire responsibility for the results of Israel's defensive actions falls squarely on the Government of Lebanon, which by its policy makes possible the murder and terror actions directed against Israel and its citizens."

Doron was reacting to a letter in which Lebanese Ambassador Edouard Ghorra told the Council on Friday that Israel's retaliatory air raids into Lebanon after the massacre made "innocent Palestinian refugees" targets for genocide as scapegoats of the "tragic developments of Ma'alot."

Ghorra said those involved were "three Palestinians, born in Palestine and operating within and from within Israel."

Doron wrote: "The murder squad had infiltrated into Israel from Lebanon on the night of May 13 (Monday) and had been hiding out since then."

He said that was "proved by footprints found in the area, and by a map, matches, clothing, shoes and other personal belongings, all of Lebanese manufacture, which were found on the terrorists."

Their operation, Doron said, was "planned, organized and carried out from Lebanon," and "part of the contacts for the release of the children, who were held hostage by the terrorists in Ma'alot, were maintained with the headquarters of... the PDFLP in Beirut.

"Israel has on many occasions warned Lebanon that it will be constrained to take action in self-defence against this scourge of murder, the aim of which is genocide directed against its Jewish inhabitants.

"The Israeli Air Force has, therefore, been taking action against the bases, offices, command posts and workshops of the terror organizations... the PDFLP... has announced that its headquarters was hit."

Alice Franjieh, wife of the Lebanese president; an unidentified wife of an African leader; Gihan Sadat, wife of Egypt's president; and Queen Alia of Jordan line up at the opening session of the Afro-Arab Women's Parliamentary Conference in Cairo on Saturday. (AP radiophoto)

Libya says it gave Arabs 70 Migs in October War

RABAT (AP). — Libya contributed more than half a billion dollars in aid, including 400 combat missions and 70 new Soviet Mig-21 warplanes, to the Arabs in the October war, a Tripoli newspaper claims.

The newspaper "Al Fatih" — The Conqueror — said official documents backed up its figures, released to "reply to detractors of Libya."

Libya had provided $542,164,000 in aid before the war broke out on October 1, it said, "without counting the mobilization of all the nation's potential to respond to any request from an Arab frontline nation, ranging from aircraft to bath soap and including heavy equipment."

The newspaper reported that during the three-week war, Libya contributed "70 Mig-21s, payments of $11,164,000 and 400 combat missions in the aviation sphere alone." It did not elaborate on the combat missions.

Libya's air force is basically equipped with French Mirages sold on condition they would not be used in combat with Israel. Israel has reported that they appeared on the Suez front, but no Arab source has confirmed this.

It said "most of the 70 Mig-21s were bought during the war and taken directly to front-line airfields at a total cost of $113 million, entirely provided by Libya."

It added that Libya supplied exchange jet engines and other spare parts and electronic equipment "without counting training and work-up facilities given to non-Libyan pilots."

'SUNDAY TIMES' EDITORIAL:

Death penalty might cut terror in Israel

LONDON. — The "Sunday Times" yesterday criticized Israel's stand on capital punishment and suggested that the death penalty would obviate "one inducement" to terrorism.

"For what are the consequences of keeping convicted terrorists alive?" the paper wrote. "Their release becomes a priority for their brothers in the cause. Blackmail, murder and hostages are weapons to this end, as they were intended to be at Ma'alot. Besides the death of many children, Ma'alot provoked reprisal raids against camps in Lebanon... It takes a very sophisticated casuist to argue that executing terrorists, and removing them as bait for future terrorists, is morally more obnoxious than the random slaughter of totally innocent women and children by the Israel Air Force. The death penalty would not end Arab terrorism, merely one inducement to it."

But the independent "Observer" said it was time the UN took notice of Lebanon's failure to curb the PFLP.

"Whatever might be said in criticism of the Israeli reprisal raids," the paper wrote, "it is time for the Security Council to take notice of the failure of the Lebanese Government to act firmly against the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. This irresponsible and most extreme splinter group has boasted of its responsibility for the bloodbath at Ma'alot as well as for the recent brutal killings at Kiryat Shmona.

"Attempts by Palestinian and other Arab leaders to shift the guilt for the sordid crime against Israeli children at Ma'alot on to the Israelis themselves is not only shameful but mischievous. The only hope of averting an endless repetition of these inhuman acts is for all responsible leaders — and especially for those whose cause is injured by such acts — to combine in denouncing them and not to offer lame justifications." *(AP, JTA)*

ARAB-AFRICAN WOMEN MPs MEET IN CAIRO

CAIRO (AP). — Amid a colourful array of bright national costumes, the first Arab-African women's parliamentarian conference opened Saturday with calls for struggle against illiteracy, poverty, famine and discrimination in Africa and the Arab world.

Mrs. Gihan Sadat, wife of the Egyptian President, made the opening statement.

Although the conference is a symbolic step toward affirming an active role for women in the developing countries of Africa and the Arab world, speakers made no direct reference to women's problems and rights and focused instead on general political issues.

More than 100 parliamentarians from 35 Arab and African countries are attending the three day conference, held in the white and golden domed hall of the Egyptian Parliament.

The conferees, who spoke in Arabic, English and French, sent a message to Lebanese President Suleiman Franjieh condemning the Israeli air attack on Lebanon.

In addition to Mrs. Sadat, the opening session was attended by the first ladies of Togo, Dahomey, Jordan, Somalia and Lebanon. The wife of Kuwait's Interior Minister represented Kuwait.

A senior member of the Jordanian National Assembly, apologizing that there are no women in the Assembly said, "Israel occupation of Jordanian territories has prevented women from going into parliament. But with liberation of Israeli-held territories we hope women will win places in our Assembly."

China, U.S.S.R. denounce Israeli raids on Lebanon

The official news agencies of China and the Soviet Union put out harsh denunciation over the weekend of Israel's recent bombing raids on refugee camps in the Lebanon. Tass, the Soviet agency, rejected the claim the air raids were in retribution for the Ma'alot killings. The New China News Agency made no mention at all of the Ma'alot attack.

Tass, which has blamed the Israeli Government for the massacre of 25 persons in Ma'alot, said, "No pretexts, no demagogy will help them to cover up their cold, calculated, man-hating actions, planned in advance."

China blasted both the U.S. and the Soviet Union for tolerating such "savage acts of aggression" as the Israeli air raids. The Chinese statement, published in the Peking "People's Daily," said: "Under the support, shielding and connivance of the two superpowers... Israel has stubbornly refused to withdraw from all the Arab territories it has occupied... and has committed new crimes in Lebanon.

"We are firmly convinced that so long as the Arab and Palestinian people steadily strengthen their unity, persevere in struggle and overcome the difficulties on their road forward, they will, with the support of countries upholding justice, certainly win final victory," it added. *(Reuter, AP)*

'Pravda': disengagement is a half measure

MOSCOW (AP). — 'Pravda' said yesterday that an Israeli-Syrian disengagement agreement would be a half measure creating an illusion of relaxation.

In a sharply worded commentary, the paper said stable peace in the Middle East depends on fulfilment of the 1967 Security Council resolution.

The resolution, 'Pravda' said, calls for Israeli withdrawal from "all Arab lands seized in 1967 and the recognition of the legal national rights of the Arab people of Palestine.

"Only implementation of this decision... can lead to creating conditions for achieving stable peace in the Middle East," 'Pravda' said.

The Communist Party organ referred to recent intense fighting on the Syrian front and blamed Israel and "the imperialistic forces backing it." There was no direct mention of the U.S.

"In these conditions, as facts show," 'Pravda' continued, "attempts to undo the tight knot of the Middle East conflict with the helps of half measures limited only to the disengagement of troops would hardly lead to the establishment of stable peace in this region tormented by war and aggression.

"These measures can only create the illusion of relaxation," 'Pravda' said.

The 'Pravda' article was apparently written and cleared for publication before the report of a tentative acceptance of a U.S. peace plan by both Syria and Israel Saturday.

However, the attitude expressed by 'Pravda' was indicative of Soviet concern with the American-led effort, even though Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko had promised Kissinger that Moscow would, at worst, not obstruct the Secretary's peacemaking effort.

'Pravda's' disdainful attitude toward disengagement on the Golan front contrasts with the Soviet reaction when Kissinger arranged a similar agreement between Israel and Egypt: the Soviet Union hailed the Sinai pull back as a first step toward peace.

Arabs will resume oil embargo if peace talks fail

BEIRUT (AP). — The Arabs will revert to their "oil weapon" should current U.S. peace efforts fail in the Middle East, Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Ahmed Zaki Yamani declared yesterday.

Yamani told the Beirut newspaper "The Daily Star," "If anything happens which stops the present efforts which are taken by the United States to bring peace to the area, we will go back to the oil measures.

"But we hope that the United States is very sincere ... We do not want to use the oil weapon again."

By "oil measures" Yamani was apparently referring to the six-month oil embargo declared during the October war.

Earlier the Beirut newspaper "Al-Bayrak" quoted Kuwait's ruler, Sheikh Sabah Salem Sabah, as warning that the oil embargo would be reimposed should U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger fail to achieve a Middle East settlement.

Yamani declared that Saudi Arabia is advocating an oil price reduction, but said this would have to be achieved in full coordination with other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). He declined to disclose the projected price cut, but said it will be a "good percentage."

Saudi Arabia, which commands the biggest proven oil reserves in the world, produces crude oil at the rate of 8.5 million barrels daily and "could raise this to 10 million barrels a day by the end of the year," said Yamani. "We will increase production; but it depends on the political situation," he said, without clarifying what political conditions he had in mind.

Eventually, Saudi Arabia intends to reduce its crude oil production "because we are accumulating a huge amount of money that we put in banks. We lose so much through the dollar devaluation... that it is better to keep oil in the ground," Yamani said. But he strongly indicated no cut in production was contemplated for the foreseeable future. He said the present production level would be increased in due course, and he called this a "sacrifice, because we want to help the economy of the whole world."

Yamani, who spearheaded the participation drive in negotiations with foreign oil companies two years ago, said Saudi Arabia now wants to "change the whole system." He did not elaborate on this point.

The participation accord gave oil states an immediate 25 per cent stake in the foreign company holdings, and this was to escalate to 51 per cent by 1981.

This participation approach has been rejected in several Persian Gulf states, and Kuwait last week won a 60 per cent participation in the Kuwait holdings of British Petroleum and Gulf Oil of America.

Reports said last week that Saudi Arabia was contemplating a new relationship with the Arabian-American Oil Company (Aramco), the world's largest oil producer. Saudi Arabia, these reports said, was planning to buy out Aramco concessionaires and then lease the holdings back to member companies. Aramco is owned by Exxon, Mobil, Texaco and Standard Oil of California.

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Beauty-care and the kibbutznik, Helene Curtis and the Histadrut

By HELGA DUDMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

IN "Life Style" and economics probably the farthest you can get from the prestige cosmetics lines such as Revlon and Rubinstein is the beauty-care department of the Kibbutz Artzi (Hashomer Hatza'ir) movement. Yes, "Cosmetician" is now an approved, full-time task, and women members — no men yet, insofar as is known — are sent to attend courses run by the movement to learn this art. Emphasis, however, is on skin care and not on make-up and even male kibbutzniks have been known to make use of creams and lotions.

"Some of the young girls do use a little eye-makeup at weekends," a kibbutznik told me, "but basically what it means is that we can get things our cosmetician mixes herself from ingredients ordered in bulk from suppliers."

Moving away from the left, as it were: the largest private firm — and the only one of its kind which is not a branch of a foreign company — is Taya, the veteran Israeli establishment which prides itself on the product, "and not packaging or gimmicks." Known for a wide range of toiletries, such as toothpaste and soapless soap, Taya tends to products of the "no-nonsense" type — which some younger women are inclined to dismiss as out of date.

The firm still maintains a price range very much below the fancier lines, but Taya's prices, too, have gone up. A friend who has access to a wide range of cosmetics considers the firm's two fairly recent face creams — a night deep moisturizing skin food and day deep moisture cream — "as good as anything on the market."

With Helene Curtis, we come to the Histadrut: the local branch of the American cosmetics firm was bought out some time ago by Shemen, which in turn was recently acquired by Koor. As for Helene Curtis herself, she never really existed. According to one version, the name of the firm comes from the names of the founder's two children. Now it is part of a labour-organization conglomerate, whose latest products include two new shades of rouge, and an anti-dandruff shampoo.

Max Factor, on the other hand, was a very real person — a Jew who came to America from Poland (just like Helena Rubinstein) and began producing cosmetics in 1909. The firm has branches in London and Paris, but the main office is in Hollywood, California where Max Factor made his name through his make-up and cosmetics work with the ruling beauty queens of the times, the Hollywood stars. The cinema glamour tradition is maintained in the names of some of the products — "California Eye Glosser," or "California Sun Stick" lipstick, not to mention "Comb-on mascara," "Peak-a-boo Fashion Lashes," the familiar "Pancake Make-up" or the new "Cup of Youth."

Max Factor's newest line has a Swedish accent, in a "hypo-allergenic, dermatologist-tested, fragrance-free" group which includes a cleansing lotion, a moisture lotion, and a nourishing cream. (I can testify that there is something refreshing about a lotion which contains no perfume whatsoever.)

In Israel, Max Factor cosmetics have long been imported (from England) and distributed by the Nurit Company whose agents, efficient veterans in the field, also represent leading Israeli products.

Also from England in tone and fashion outlook, but bringing us back to the Histadrut, is the Mary Quant cosmetics line, now manufactured here by Shemen, which is to say, Koor. Mary Quant products, which attract by their up-to-date packaging and colour shades, emphasize "natural" ingredients in their treatment line ("Morning Moisture," "Herbal Vaporizer and Face Pack") and so on). These are based on "special recipes" whose appeal lies in an attempt to bring the freshness and purity of nature to the girl whose urban surroundings — whether London or Tel Aviv — make the traditional English complexion hard to come by.

The following letter from a reader, written in response to previous articles on the cosmetics industry, is a reminder of how things have changed. "This little story amuses my grandchildren," writes Mrs. Elisheva Schartenberg, of Ramat Gan, who continued,

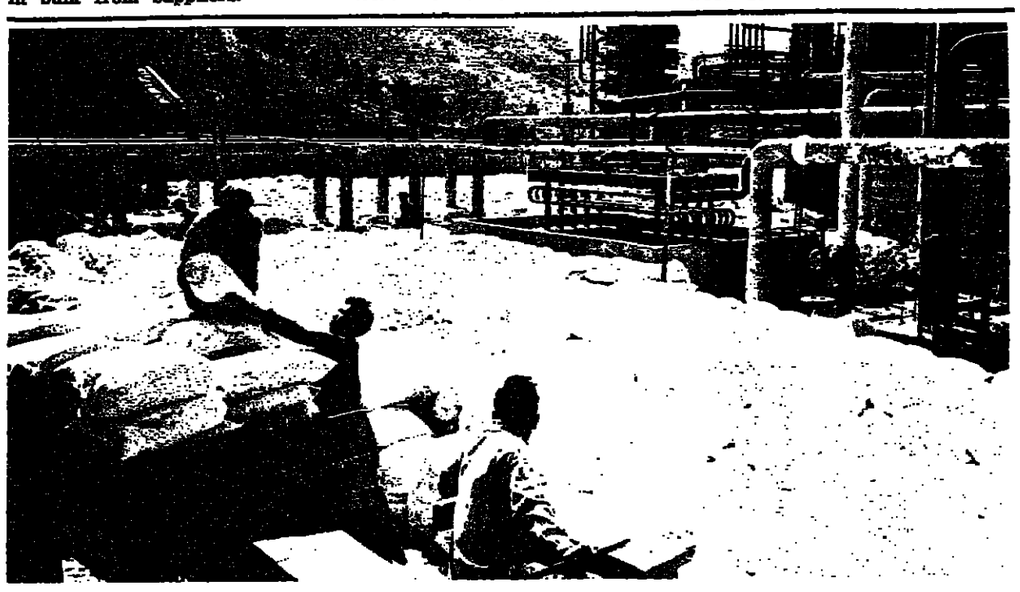
"It was during World War I, (in Europe) and I was a pale, undernourished young girl. My parents sent me for a "cure" to a country resort, where I met a sophisticated and worldly woman who took a liking to me. One day she invited me to her room and put some rouge on me — a liquid called "Rose Pompon." I suddenly looked very different!

"I bought myself a bottle, used it — and when I returned home after four weeks my father was overjoyed at the effectiveness of the cure. But my mother was suspicious, and asked whether I was 'painting myself' — which I strongly denied. 'Only whores do that,' my mother said.

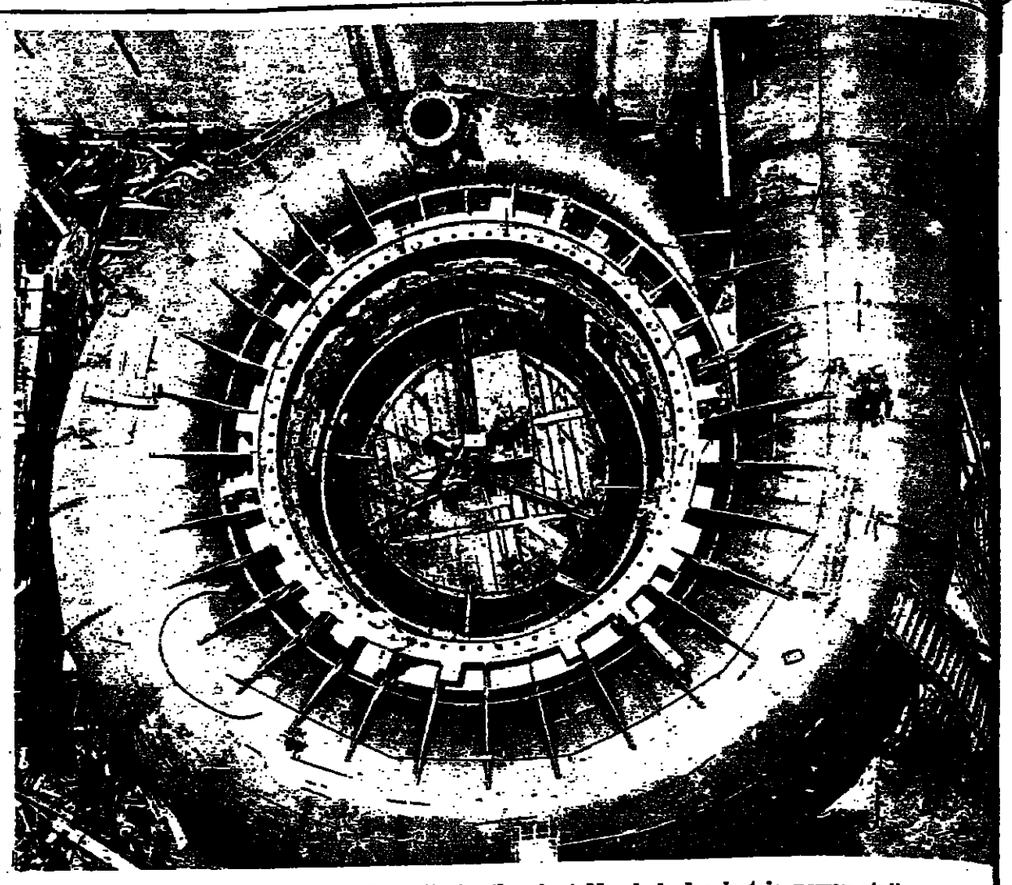
"I kept my little bottle of 'Rose Pompon' hidden in a secret place — but one day I found it all mildewed. Mother had told the maid to go through all my things; she had found it, and poured raspberry juice in the bottle instead.

"So I became a pale little thing once again. The whole episode greatly diminished my self-confidence..."

"Tempora mutantur," is the phrase with which Mrs. Schartenberg closes her letter — which proves that what girls have gained in cosmetics they have lost in classical Latin.



In Fukien Proviace, China, workers ready chemical fertilizer for dispatch to farm areas, after production at a synthetic ammonia plant in Changtai. (UPI)



The spiral chamber in one of nine hydro units for the giant Nurek hydroelectric power station now being constructed on the Vakhsha River in Tadzhik, USSR. (UPI)

Kibbutz life in America

MADISON, Wisconsin (AP). — Twenty-four young people who want to "exist Jewishly" on a traditionally radical campus are experimenting with Israeli-style living at the Kibbutz Langdon, nestled away in an old sorority house near the University of Wisconsin.

The kibbutz, formed in 1970, has been ignored by the less religious Jewish students and has been the target of barbs from the more orthodox.

"No doubt they think we have orgies and drugs," says Effrey Kohn, 19, of Pompano Beach, Florida.

The lifestyle at Langdon is traditional, with a modern touch — food is kosher and the Sabbath is strictly observed, but women have a far greater role in daily worship services than in most Jewish groups, and male and female members of the kibbutz sometimes share the same room.

GROUP PROTESTED LIFTING OF SUBSIDIES

A lobby for large families: Zahavi fights for rights

By ROCHELLE FURSTENBERG
Special to The Jerusalem Post

NO ONE living in Israel can be unaware of the need for a larger population. Yet there is no clearly defined programme for the encouragement of large families as there is for other sources of population growth, such as immigration.

In fact, the government — in the words of Prof. Eliezer Jaffe of the Hebrew University School of Social Work — "displays a certain amount of schizophrenia concerning large families." On one hand, it pays lip service to the view that we must increase our population if we are to survive. On the other hand, large families are frequently identified with the poor and uneducated, offspring of parents with insufficient sense to limit the number of their children so that they can give more to those they already have.

During the last year an organization called Zahavi *(Zehuyot Hamishpaha Bruhat Yeladim* — Rights for Large Families) has been formed to represent the interests of the 120,000 large families in the country (defined as those with four children or more.) Launched in Haifa by Town Councillor Avraham Donino, who himself grew up in a large family and has four children of his own, Zahavi sees itself as a pressure group to improve the opportunities of its members so that their offspring can compete with children growing up in homes in which each child's needs can be easily catered to.

5,000 MEMBERS

The fledgling organization, which already has 5,000 members in 12 branches, is intended to counteract the image of the large family as a socially unhealthy phenomenon. Its members are, to a great extent, families whose earnings would otherwise be adequate if they did not have to be stretched to such great lengths. They do not want welfare but laws which pay special consideration to their situation, in the same way as it is in the country's interests to have special laws for new immigrants or incentives to industrialists.

Leah and Abie Abromowitz are a case in point. Abie is an accountant and Leah a social worker. They have nine children. Although they make a good living, the recent price rise came as a blow. "Imagine," says Leah, "what it must be like for families who earn less than we do. I'm sure that it throws many of the borderline people onto welfare." Zahavi, one of the few organizations that protested the removal of subsidies, brought Abie down to testify before the Knesset Finance Committee.

"I went to the shop," says Abie, "and made a list of the differences in prices before and after the subsidies were removed. Just on basics like eggs and milk products, it turned out that there was at least a IL400 a month price increase. The IL145 c.o.l. increase, and the small rise in children's allowances, which in my case, comes to IL100 a month, doesn't make up for the jump in prices."

"When Sapir says," added Leah, "that we have to tighten our belts, he's talking about my kids' belts — where it hurts most."

"Taking off subsidies," says Abie, "is a form of taxation. I realize we have to cut down, but why does it have to be at the expense of families who have to feed their kids milk, bread and eggs? To claim that we have been compensated is little short of deception."

Leah and Abie have become active in the Zahavi group in Jerusalem, a city which has a higher percentage of large families than any other Israeli town. Founded at a mass meeting which brought out 200 people of all walks of life, in the middle of a Jerusalem snowstorm, the group is now pressuring the Municipality to adopt a bill allowing reductions on municipal rates. In Haifa, Safad, and more than 15 other municipalities Zahavi has induced the Local Councils to give a family of four children a reduction in rates equal to one room of their apartment, while families with five to seven children don't pay rates on two rooms, and families of eight children or more are exempt altogether. Up until now there had been reductions only for welfare cases living in conditions of extreme over-crowding.

Jerusalem Zahavi is also seeking reduced entrance payment to the Jerusalem Theatre, the Zoo and museums, as well as on public transportation. It is frequently these types of cultural and developmental opportunities that parents with many children cannot afford. The Haifa contingent, again in the forefront of the movement, has already succeeded in obtaining a 50 per cent reduction on subscriptions to the Haifa Municipal Theatre.

HOW TO ORGANIZE

"One of the most important functions of Zahavi, as far as I'm concerned," says Leah, "is the exchange of information on where to buy most inexpensively, and on how to organize. The group is now compiling a booklet on where in Jerusalem one can buy things wholesale or with reductions. At the same time, Zahavi is trying to get reductions for big families in the same way that workers' committees get reductions for their workers."

On a national scale, Zahavi has collected 30,000 signatures which they will soon present to the President with suggestions for large family legislation drawn up by Yaacov Neeman, a professor of law at Bar-Ilan University. Zahavi would like to see the government enact laws that reflect a basic approach of encouragement for large families in the same way that there are laws for the encouragement of immigration and absorption. They say that if we are interested in population growth, then "internal immigration" is as important as that from the outside and corresponding incentives should be available. "Zahavi," says Prof. Jaffe, in seeking a basic legislative approach so that it will not have to continue begging each time for privileges for large families."

SUBSISTENCE LEVEL

The legislation to be presented would require the government to determine a basic subsistence level for each child in a family. Based on this, the government would ensure that each child, no matter how large the family, is affected this level of subsistence through income grants or a system of negative taxation. The children's grant now given is a halfway measure, a bonus, but not nearly adequate to allwo a family to raise a child. In relation to income tax, Zahavi is also asking that a mother of a large family working as a housewife be considered a working mother earning 30 per cent of her husband's earnings, with the concomitant tax credits and national insurance benefits due every working woman.

In other clauses of its proposed legislative bill, Zahavi seeks a minimum housing guideline which would spell out standards in square metres according to the number of persons in a family. This would be a basis for giving easy-term mortgages for housing in the same way that new immigrants get mortgages. Reductions on purchase tax for cooking stoves, refrigerators and washing machines would also be granted to large families under this law. Schooling for children of large families would be free through high school and college.

Many people, who do not themselves have large families, are working for Zahavi because they see it as an instrument to tackle the problem of the widening social gap.

At the moment, Zahavi is a volunteer organization with no financial backing. But its leaders dream of a chain of Zahavi profit-making stores like Shekem, giving large families substantial reductions. They envision Zahavi as the vehicle for introducing social changes and making Israeli society more secure and equitable.

KUPAT HOLIM MACCABI

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N MEMORIAM

I.M. Lask: translator, editor, poet

I.M. Lask, who passed away thirty days ago today as unobtrusively s he had lived, used to describe imself, with typical humility, as a translator and editor." He was, in act, a poet.

He never used his full name, Yisael Meir Cohen Lask, if he could elp it. The initials sufficed in his terary work.

Born in London, into a family of nmigrants from Poland, Lask arly fell in love with the English anguage. He read philosophy, then istory, at London University, carg little for marks and honours.

He published poems in "The Meorah Journal," but when friends raised his work, he replied that e was only a translator, albeit onceding he was a good one. Transation, in fact, suited his temperaent, for he was by nature an obrver of men's minds and, found in anslation a subtle way of comenting upon an author's thoughts.

The Lask family was bred on Zionm, and after hearing Beri Katznelon speak in London, I.M. Lask deted to move to Palestine. He arrivd here in 1930, soon after the 1929 ots which produced the first big ft between the British mandatory iministration and the Yishuv.

At that time "Davar" launched an nglish-language edition, to overme the difficulty in communicaon with the authorities. Moshe arett was its editor, and I.M. ask its professional expert. The nture did not last long, but Lask ew he could always make a livg from translation.

His deep feeling for the Hebrew nguage and his mastery of Engh made him tackle the most chalnging tasks in his chosen field. His English version of Agnon's ridal Canopy" was published in ew York in 1937, and he went on translate a dozen of Agnon's orks, and a great number of poems and stories by Bialik, Tchernichovsky, Hazaz, Brenner, and other Hebrew writers of that period. He also translated Martin Buber's "Moses" from the German, as well as some minor works from Yiddish. Many of his translations appeared in Leo W. Schwartz' anthologies of Jewish writing. He continued to translate almost until the end of his life. The last book he worked on was Hillel Seidel's "Man on Trial," describing the author's experiences under the Nazis and the Russians. Eight pages remained untranslated.

In politics, Lask attempted to retain the detachment of an intellectual. He liked to discuss men and events in the role of an academic arbiter. Beri Katznelson was always his hero of the Jewish intellectual and political renaissance, but he was willing to cross swords in amicable intellectual contest with anybody — except, perhaps, the rabid Jewish Communists.

POLITICAL MIND

The wide scope of his friendships, the openness of his political mind, did not help him in the narrow arena of Israel's political scene.

In 1955, it was Reuven Barkatt, then head of the Political Department of the Histadrut, who saved Lask from the despair into which many a free mind has fallen in our divided society. Lask became the English language expert of the Histadrut Executive. But in fact he was much more than that. He was welcome in any room he entered. He had long talks with Histadrut keymen on every kind of topic, sipping tea in Histadrut fashon, delivering himself of ideas in a jerky, somewhat ironic flow of words. When Secretary-General Yerubham Meshel eulogized Lask, soon after his death, he recalled mostly these informal, thought-provoking talks with I.M. Lask.

There was only one short period of less than two years during which Lask gave open expression to his own political and literary views. This was when he was invited to edit the "Palestine Tribune" weekly in 1945. He openly criticized the British, as well as the policies of the Yishuv — though not, perhaps, as scathingly as the sponsors of the publication would have had it. He abandoned the Tribune when, as he told his wife, "there's no use arguing with the British any more — the weekly has completed his useful purpose."

Before this, however, Lask had come across the papers of the Rescue Committees of Jews in Nazi-occupied lands. It was when reading the documents (which he had been asked to translate and edit for publication in the West) that Lask first appreciated the immense tragedy of the Holocaust. He was so moved that he wrote 24 poems — which he never published. But long before the Holocaust, Lask wrote in a poem which was published: "Man is an island ringed by seas of fear."

His only son was killed in a plane crash shortly before the Sinai Campaign. The parents learned only much later that the young man had been a navigator on a photographic reconnaissance mission over the Sinai, making its paths familiar to the military on the ground.

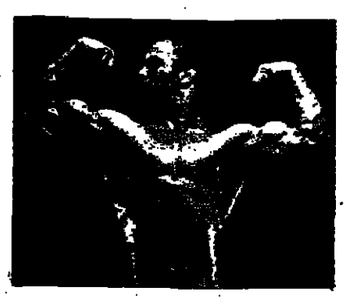
Shortly before his death, which followed a long illness, Lask published an article in "Davar" entitled "The Tribe of the Silent Fathers." In this article, he spoke of the pain which bereaved parents bear in their hearts for "those who in peace-time would be burying their fathers, but are today buried by their fathers."

Lask is survived by his wife, two daughters and grandchildren.

SRAYA SHAPIRO

Wanderers in a diaspora

A JEW AMONG THE GYPSIES



Frederick Ragovin in 1954.

FREDERICK Ragovin's room in his Ashkelon home is decorated with several physical fitness trophies, a shelf of books he has written, edited or translated, and several folk-music instruments. He won the 1954 "Mr. Physique World" and several other titles. His published works all deal with ancient and contemporary Greek, Cretan, and Persian themes, the most recent of which is "Cretan Mantinades," a collection of song-poems translated from the Greek and published in Athens last February. Mr. Ragovin plays the flute, saxophone, and clarinet, writes and arranges music for himself and others, and had his own band for several years in America.

He immigrated from the U.S.A. to Israel three years ago with his mother and son. The move was inspired "by my chief concern, the rehabilitation of the world's Gypsy population. A great historical injustice has been done to these people, and as a Jew who has the privilege of living in a newly-won homeland, I feel a special responsibility to make known the fact that Gypsies were co-victims with the Jews in Auschwitz and other concentration camps. They also are a nationless, wandering people, discriminated against in most countries, and their age-long persecution is similar to that of the Jews, resulting in extermination along with other 'undesirables' under Hitler.

"It is estimated that from 600,000 to 3,000,000 Gypsies were killed in the camps alone. The toll from other regimes raises that figure considerably, in contemporary times alone." When I asked why the great variation in the figure, Mr. Ragovin replied that there was no group or organization prepared to do the research. "The Gypsies are generally a forgotten people, scattered, disheartened, and defeated. Tribes are now becoming assimilated and dying out."

Mr. Ragovin lived with several tribes over a period of seven years in Greece, learned the obscure Romany language in five dialects, and collected previously unrecorded Gypsy music, poetry and stories. He came to love the people for their warmth and generosity and began serious research into their history. This resulted in an 800-page account of his life among the tribes — "Last Harbour" — which is still unpublished. Why unpublished? "It's a socially very sensitive document, which may at this time endanger both the Gypsy nation and those trying to help them to secure autonomous areas, or at least the minimal rights accorded to others. But things change constantly, and I hope some day to publish this account of a form of genocide.

"There are striking similarities between Gypsies and Jews. They were always monotheistic. As in Jewish history, the same discrimination patterns emerge. They are even alleged to have participated in the crucifixion of Jesus as the Egyptian metalworkers who forged the spikes of stigmatism. They are perennial wanderers in a diaspora of their own. Some circles conjecture that the Gypsies may be one of Israel's lost tribes, and there are many apparently related words in the Romany and Hebrew languages. For instance, "man" is *manoush* in Romany, resembling "enosh" in classical Hebrew.

RESEARCH TRIPS

"Israel is a wonderful location from which to pursue my research, as I can take short trips abroad to Cyprus, Turkey, and other places in the Middle Eastern-Asian area. I have also come across Gypsies in Jerusalem, a remnant of the ancient Noar tribe, now almost completely Arabized. All this new material, added to the research already completed in New York, Mexico and California, will result in the major work on which I am now concentrating."

Ready for publication is Greek Love Songs, Volume II of a three-volume anthology of Greek folklore dating back an entire millennium. A Romany dictionary, and an original musical narration are in preparation.

For his physical culture activities, Mr. Ragovin makes good use of Ashkelon's beach, where he meets friends every morning for running, gymnastics, and a swim. "Since my field is rather specialized, and not in the potential best-seller field, it's a good thing I can earn a living in physical education. I worked in two hotels here as a gym instructor and massage therapist. Now I am considering opening an establishment of my own."

He first became interested in physical culture as a defensive measure against hostile neighbours when growing up in Brooklyn. "I joined a gym and became addicted to body building for health and fitness as well as defence."

The Ragovin philosophy seems to be well stated by one of the quatrains from "Cretan Mantinades":

Never did I envy
Beauty and wealth,
Only the thoughtful head
And the body's health.

ILANA MARSHALL

A Gypsy family in Britain during World War II.

MUSIC

Windplayers join strings for Mozart quintet

THE New Israel String Quartet presented a mixed programme "6:6" (Jerusalem Khan, May 18). eir Rimon joined the Quartet to ay the difficult horn part in Mort's Quintet K. 407 (with Meira ense playing the second viola), d Richard Lesser played the clanet which featured so prominently the Quintet K. 581. Both windyers displayed their excellence i fitted well into the ensemble. eir technical reliability was well tched by their musical proficien- although Rimon might try to m" the tone of his horn to ng the sound of his instrument e in line with the sonorities of strings. The clarinet, on the er hand, blends beautifully with most instrumental combinations, and best of all with a string quartet. Indeed, Richard Lesser became an integral part of the quintet.

In contrast, the string quartet by Webern, opus 28 — his only one (1938) — was most welcome, as this composer's great art can only be appreciated with repeated hearing of his works, and he is still played much too rarely. Webern's music is always stimulating, but never likely to be "popular." As this quartet lasts less than ten minutes, its repetition immediately, or for interested listeners, after the official close of the concert, would have been a most praiseworthy way of allowing music-lovers to get better acquainted with one of Anton Webern's important works.

IT would be advisable for the Israel Chamber Ensemble to give its concerts at the Jerusalem Theatre rather than Binyenei Haoomah, which is too large for chamber music and for the audience interested in this kind of performance.

The only consolation on this evening (May 18) was provided by the soloist, famous harpist Nicanor Zabaleta. Although the Debussey "Danse sacrée et danse profane" is not exactly a concert piece, Zabaleta's handling of his few phrases showed the sovereign mastery and lifelong experience of the Basque "King of the Harp." He filled the conventional though very pleasant music of Boieldieu's Concerto with life and meaning, making the most of an outdated style and a rather mediocre composition. He came really into his own in an encore: Carlos Salzedo's *Chant de la Nuit*, where the limited sound of the harp revealed, in the breathless silence in the hall, some of its possibilities of tone and character.

YOHANAN BOEHM

Award for Mrs. Tekoah

NEW YORK. — Mrs. Ruth Tekoah, wife of Israel's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, last week received a Louise Waterman Wise Award for "distinguished service on behalf of Israel and world Jewry" at the annual awards luncheon here of the American Jewish Congress Women's Division.

Mrs. Tekoah has been active in Israeli arts and crafts abroad.

Among other recipients was Carol Channing, star of the current Broadway show "Lorelei," for "distinguished service in the performing arts" and for her efforts on behalf of Israel and Soviet Jewry. *(AJC)*

INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES AVERAGE 12% PRICE RISE

PARIS (AP). — Consumer prices rose by an average of 12 per cent in the non-Communist industrialized countries in the year ending on March 31, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) reported Friday.

Among the 24 OECD member countries, Greece recorded the highest inflation rate with 33.4 per cent, followed by Iceland with 32.2 per cent, Portugal with 30.0 per cent and Japan with 24.0 per cent.

The lowest inflation rates during the 12-month period were recorded in West Germany with 7.2 per cent, Luxembourg with 8.3 per cent, Austria and Norway with 9.0 per cent and the Netherlands with 9.3 per cent.

The report said an average of 11 per cent of the price increases in the past year were directly due to the sharp rise in petroleum prices.

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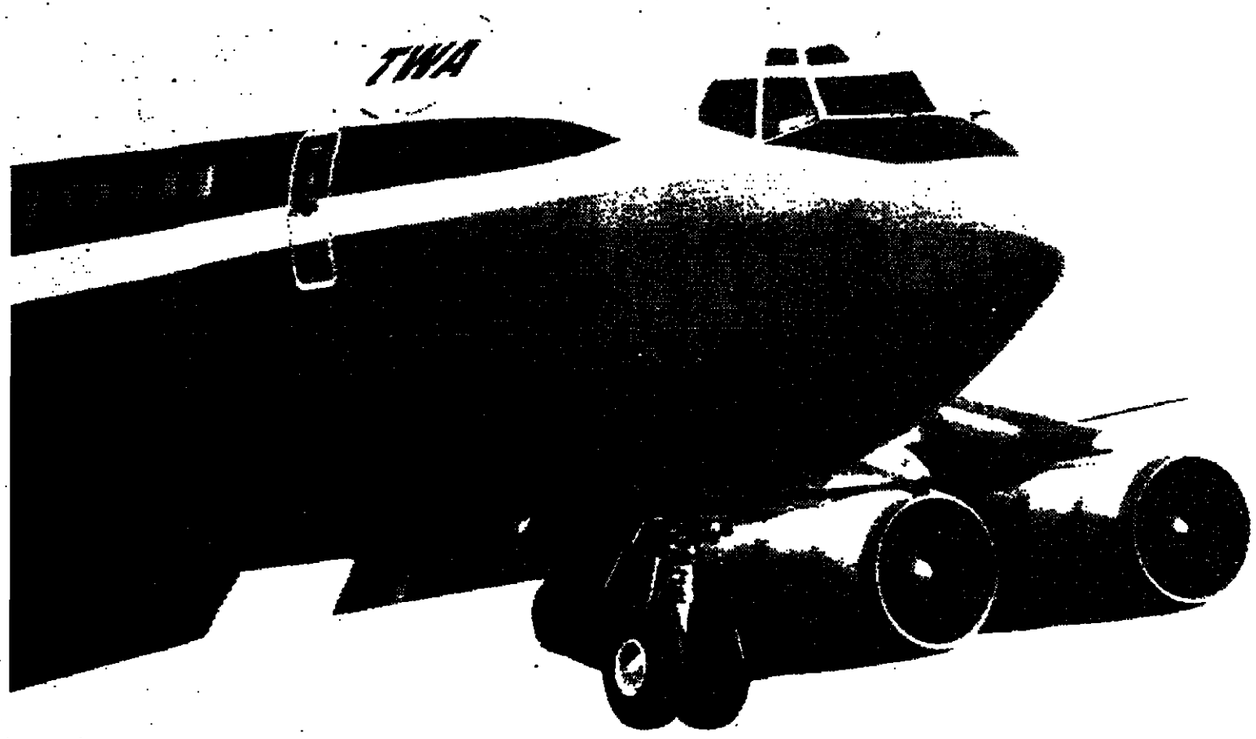

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HAIFA DISTRICT COURT

Probate file 544/74

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Petitioner: Anthony Harold Oberman, represented by his advocates, M. Seligman & Co., 24 Rehov Rambam, Tel Aviv.

Be it known that an application has been filed in this Court for an Order declaring the succession to the above named deceased.

Any person who claims an interest in the estate of the said deceased, and who wishes to object to the declaration as requested, should file an objection within 14 days of the date of this publication, otherwise the Court will make such order as it shall deem fit.

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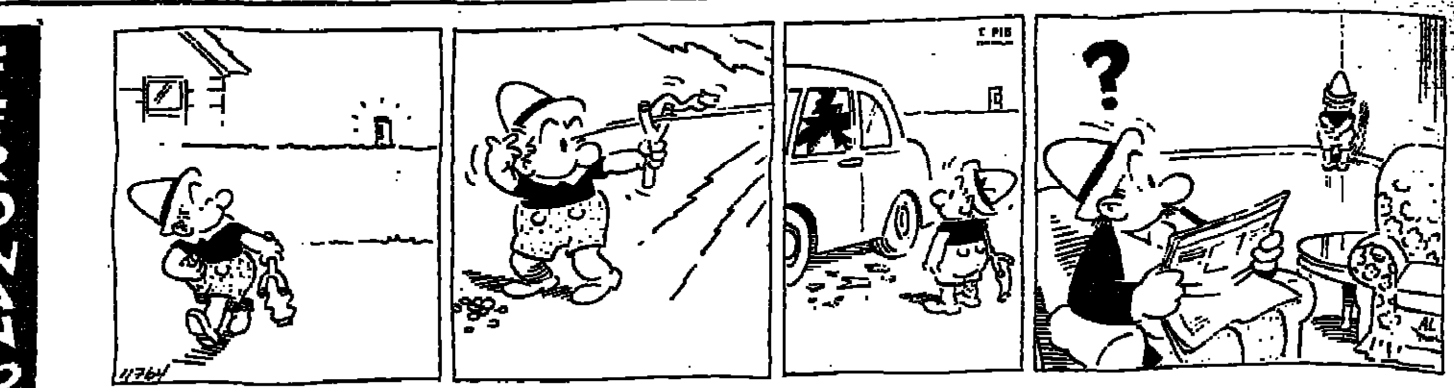

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FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.05 "Famous Artists."
9.05 Light Classics.
9.55 English News.
10.05 Mozart: Quartet, K. 575; Walton: Quartet (Aeolian Quartet, London).
10.55 French News. 11.00 News in *Easy Hebrew.* 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes *for* Elementary Schools.
12.35 D. Bar-Ilan, piano-Weber: Sonata No.2; Liszt: Locturne.
1.05 Midday Concert — Arnold: 4 Dances; Vivaldi: Concerto; Sibelius: "The Swan of Tuonela"; Berlioz: 3 Dances from "Damnation of Faust."
2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Bettering your knowledge." 3.30 Talmud lesson. 3.50 Book *Review.*
4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 "Soiree Musicale" — Orgad: Songs; Sturzenegger: Three Songs of David (Rostal). 5.00 Festive Service for Jerusalem Day — direct from the Western Wall.
5.55 French News. 6.05 "Lines, Notes and Stars" — Culture and Art Magazine. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light music. 7.50 Bible Reading Tehilim, chaps. 47 and 48. 8.05 Darius Milhaud: "David" — Opera (George Singer).
10.05 Yaakov Herzog's Teachings.
11.05 *Classical Request* Programme: Chaconne Bach: (Heifetz); Beethoven: "Moonlight" Sonata (Gould); Franck: Sonata (Stern-Zakin).
12.05 A Moment of Poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 2.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 259, 335 and 340 M.

5.05 a.m. Songs and Tunes. 5.55 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "*This* Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.05 "At Midday." 2.05 This is Ehud Manor. 3.55 Names and Events in the Jewish Scene. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.05 Hebrew Hit Parade. 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade (cont.) 6.45 Today's sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "From Pop to *Inclusive." 10.05 Roaming Microphone at the* Campus." 11.02 "Tonight." 11.15 Roaming Microphone at the Campus." 12.05 Jazz.
1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

6.58 p.m. Opening. 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 423, 258, 249, 335 and 349.5 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew, Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian. 9.30 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 "Windows on the World" Magazine programme 6.00 "Games and ... bles." 8.00 "Pollyanna." 8.30 Mabat. "Jerusalem" — a programme of songs. "Law Court." 11.10 News.
Educational: 8.15 English 6, 9.05 Maths ... English 5. 11.25 Maths 3. 1.40 Programme ... the Jerusalem Day. 4.00 Songs. 4.15 ... 4.35 Science 4.58 Music.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Sport. 7.18 ... 7.27 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
4.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
1st Programme — 522, 256 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 26, 29, 25, 31, ... and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning Tunes. Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. Morning Tunes (cont.) 9.05 Requests. 9.55 ... Moment." 10.05 Requests. 10.55 Uri Sela's ... 11.05 Warm and Tasty. 11.55 Ori Dvir's Corner. Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 Warm and Tasty. Yoseph Lapid's Corner. 1.35 Warm and Tasty. 1.55 p.m. Announcements. 2.05 Entertainment programme. 3.05 "3-4-5" — with Shmuel Shai. Ehud Graf. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody — Greetings. 5.55 Programme ... 6.05 "Personal file." 7.05 The Battle for the ... Wall. 7.30 Jerusalem Songs. 8.05 Foreign Hit Parade. 10.05 "Tonight" — with Edna Shavit. 11.55 Midnight talk. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 "Night Birds" with Pnina Bat-Zvi. 3.05-6.00 "Tunes in the ..."

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Further particulars concerning the above tenders have been posted on the bulletin boards in the Municipality's Personnel Department, Municipal Bldg. Kikar Malchei Yisrael, and at Municipal Information Bureaus.

Applications on "Applicant for Vacant Position Questionnaire," with curriculum vitae and qualifying certificates enclosed, should be submitted to the Personnel Department in a sealed envelope marked with the tender number. Questionnaire forms may be obtained in person or by post from the Personnel Department, or at Municipal Information Bureaus.

Applications without the required certificates will not be considered.

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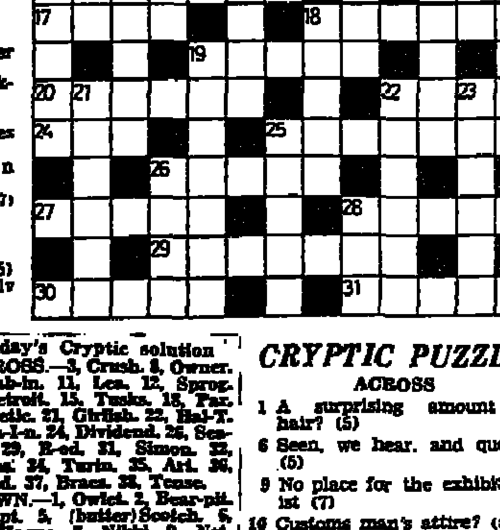
SHLOMO LAHAT
Mayor

TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.



EASY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Mass of swimming fish (5)
6 Instruct (5)
9 Military man (7)
10 Moved stealthily (5)
11 Nude (5)
12 Alloy (5)
13 Genuine (7)
15 Part of the regalia (3)
17 Prepare for publication (4)
18 Unrefined (6)
19 Vegetable (5)
20 Suffering pain (6)
22 Meat (4)
24 Allow (3)
25 Faint-hearted people (7)
26 Nobleman (5)
27 Kirk official (5)
28 Helped (5)
29 Speech (7)
30 Baby carriages (5)
31 Snapshot (5)

DOWN

2 Very unpleasant (6)
3 View (6)
4 Large quantity (3)
5 Love very much (5)
6 Strain (7)
7 Periods of time (4)
8 Elates (6)
12 Fetch (5)
13 Part of a flower (5)
14 Period of darkness (5)
15 Command (5)
16 Chiming devices (5)
18 Punctuation mark (5)
19 Moving ahead (7)
21 Dungeon (6)
22 Disappear (6)
23 Arrival (6)
25 Tennis arena (5)
26 Smile broadly (4)
28 Snake (3)

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

1 A surprising amount of hair? (5)
6 Seen, we hear, and quoted (5)
9 No place for the exhibitionist (7)
10 Customs man's attire? (5)
11 Where Americans get cross between meals? (5)
12 Domain of real men (5)
13 Workers' champion? (7)
15 In the main, it's edgy (3)
17 Nail colouring dye? (4)
18 Line of play (6)
19 A novel romance? (5)
20 Having the face to answer back? (6)
22 Miss Lane? (4)
24 Longing for money (3)
25 This system may be claimed to have its points (7)
26 Farewell, amigo (5)
27 A widening talent? (5)
28 She goes to the wall (3-2)
29 Two-in-one singlet? (7)
30 Make an unoriginal opening (5)
31 Valuable piece of cut-glass, etc. (5)

DOWN

2 Such collisions don't usually cause decapitation (4, 2)
3 Not the tool of good, honest work? (6)
4 Carson's equipment? (3)
5 Mostly smooth loch (5)
6 Provisions for eating (7)
7 Particular piece of white muslin (4)
8 Rubs off (6)
12 Angry when pestered? (5)
13 Pretty imaginative? (5)
14 Got out of bed looking puffed? (5)
15 A beast has a number of wives (5)
16 Seaman's decoration? (5)
18 Calls tearfully (5)
19 Vulgar scene of a car accident dispute? (4, 3)
21 Eileen takes her rest (6)
22 I'm included in a crazy list of restrictions (6)
23 Motherly type? (6)
25 You aren't sure to have any (5)
26 Officer with the wrong idea? (4)
28 Sweet flower? (3)

Friday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—3, Short. 8, Cited. 10, Urged. 11, Nil. 12, Sable. 13, Minimal. 15, Issue. 18, Nod. 19, Insist. 21, Leading. 22, Leis. 23, Sure. 24, Relents. 26, Abroad. 29, Cue. 31, Trend. 32, Attends. 34, Sings. 35, Pod. 36, Saves. 37, Deter. 38, Thugs.

DOWN.—1, Minim. 2, Felines. 4, Heal. 5, Ruling. 6, Tress. 7, Menus. 9, Tin. 12, Saddled. 14, Moa. 16, Sinus. 17, Ether. 19, Insects. 20, Bleat. 21, Litre. 23, Steeper. 24, Radish. 25, Nut. 27, Broad. 28, Onset. 30, Adder. 32, Agog. 33, Not.

Friday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—3, Crush. 8, Owner. 10, Cab-in. 11, Lea. 12, Sprog. 13, Detroit. 15, Tusks. 18, Par. 19, Acetic. 21, Girlish. 22, Hal-T. 23, Ma-I-n. 24, Dividend. 26, Sea-men. 29, R-ed. 31, Simon. 32, Witless. 34, Turin. 35, Art. 36, Sh-I-ed. 37, Brace. 38, Tense.

DOWN.—1, Owlet. 2, Bear-pit. 4, Rapt. 5, (butler) Scotch. 6, (The) Hague. 7, Nikki. 9, Net. 12, Sirloin. 14, Oar. 16, Stead. 17, Scene. 19, Aspirin. 20, Chess. 21, Gle-a-m. 23, Med-Lars. 24, Den-ode. 25, Dot. 27, Eight. 28, Mot-et. 30, Ast-ER. 32, Wigs. 33, E-RA.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON WEDNESDAY

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

'UNIVERSAL ECONOMIC CRISIS IS IMPOSSIB LE'

WILL SAY'S LAW WORK?

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

EVER heard about Say's Law?

Well, J.B. Say was a French economist, a contemporary of Napoleon, Malthus and Ricardo, and a popularizer of Adam Smith. But his major claim to the attention of posterity is his optimistic assertion that a general, universal economic crisis is impossible.

Shortages and surpluses may occasionally develop, partial strains and stresses may take place, of course, but, he argued, on the whole they must offset each other and bring the economy back to normal. There could be no overall slump, i.e., lack of demand, Say insisted, because "products are paid for by products," and everything depended on the exchange of commodities in the right proportions.

Needless to say, when slumps of increasing severity kept recurring in the course of the 19th century, becoming a regular feature of modern world economy, this view was rejected and scoffed at as superficial. But voices were also heard in defence of Say's so-called law. After all, did not world economy recover from every depression? Was not Say basically right in asserting that all economic activity is an exchange of commodities (products), and that therefore, every transaction generates purchasing power for another one, of equal size?

Say's optimism was not finally buried until the Great Depression of the 'thirties, the *coup de grace* to his "law" being given by Keynes. What Say had overlooked, Keynes pointed out, is the crucial role played by money. Modern economic activity, he added, cannot be resolved into a series of commodity exchanges, because saving is not always tantamount to investment.

If money pours out of active circulation into liquid funds, shortage of purchasing power may ensue, leading to a slump which tends to develop like a snowball, because lack of demand inhibits investments and induces people to put ever more of their income into reserves.

In order to check and reverse this deflationary tendency, Keynes recommended a battery of countermeasures, by the application of which the Great Depression, too, was eventually overcome. And till now — true enough — no other world slump has taken place, because every time a depression threatened to develop, Keynes' reflationary pump-priming was applied. As a result the world economy has been going strong for several decades, though only at the price of ever-rising monetary liquidity.

Now, suddenly, one is again reminded of that old "Say's dictum." World economic growth is perceptibly slowing down. The staggering increase in the oil bill which the developed countries must foot is reducing their purchasing power, while the advance of less developed countries is grinding to a halt. Another major slump is looming without any effective policy in sight to avert it, because it is now no longer rooted in any particular country, and the necessary credit and monetary policies required to overcome it would have to be applied on a world scale — which is still a pipe-dream for the time being.

Can a general economic crisis be avoided then, without Keynes coming to the rescue? Leading economists think this is indeed possible. They argue that the money paid for oil will not remain static, but will be "recycled" into world economy and world trade. As a result, the flow of economic activity may indeed be affected, the pattern of production altered, and the exchange ratios of various commodities modified. But that need not spell a slump in overall demand, coupled with mass unemployment and other adversities.

However, does not "recycling" have an ominous ring, reminding one of the controversy concerning the intrinsic identity of savings and investments? And if that identity does not exist, can one trust "recycling?" Are not those soothsayers relying, for want of anything better, on the long-discarded "law" of the French optimist?

As a matter of fact, the "recycling" process is likely to encounter at least three major difficulties. First, in spite of all efforts by international bankers and investment companies to accelerate it, it must take time. Secondly, the surplus funds will not flow to the commodities markets, but to the capital and property markets, where they may cause considerable dislocations, and run into administrative barriers. (One has to bear in mind that within less than two years these funds will exceed the aggregate value of U.S. foreign investments, which are a major reason for its world economic dominance.) Thirdly, their investment will bring in its wake a backflow of annual profits, further swelling the oil countries' fortunes, and increasing the debtor countries' balance of payments troubles. The problem is, therefore, not so much how to distribute the redundant money among countries short of liquidity, as how to incorporate the surplus capital in the world economy.

In order to make the point clearer, let us consider what would happen if the surplus funds were to accumulate as a result of the discovery of new gold mines, rather than as the result of raising the price of oil. Though the economic usefulness of gold is, of course, much inferior to that of its black namesake, no particular problem would be involved in that case.

The gold producers would use the yellow metal for additional purchases or investments either at home or abroad, thus adding to world liquidity, and promoting economic growth by boosting world demand. If that were to happen on a large scale, prices would rise (while the price of gold would decline): i.e. economic expansion would be accompanied by inflation, as was mostly the case in the past.

In the present situation, however, such a development is obstructed by the contrary — deflationary — pressure exercised by the increase oil bill. The effect has been aptly compared to that of a purchase tax levied on the economies of the oil consuming countries: though the tax revenue might eventually be spent for various purposes, the people concerned would be left with less disposable income of their own, and would have to work and produce more to earn the amounts disbursed.

Recycling tax revenue

The "recycling" of the tax revenue would at best have a redistributive effect, but would add nothing to the economy's purchasing power. At best the economy would have to adjust itself to a changed production and consumption pattern, to avoid a crisis, but without the help of Keynes' monetary levers.

It stands to reason that in spite of the prophecies of slump, it will be the inflationary pressures that will gain the upper hand, at least at the beginning. Attempts to check the inflationary development failed in most countries, even before the energy crisis. They will now meet increased opposition owing to the added inflationary impact of huge investments required for opening new energy sources and for new projects called forth by the changed economic conditions, and of the increased spending of the new oil-rich. Abu Dhabi and Alberta, Algeria and Scotland, Saudia and Norway will enjoy their windfall riches in a grand way, and their added purchasing power will affect demand in other countries.

But it would be foolish to presume that this development can proceed without also affecting wage and price levels, which are already advancing at a pace that is jeopardizing sound economic growth.

We may, therefore, be facing a spread of stagflation, or the evolution of new methods intended to prevent it. And if no reliance can be placed on monetary mechanisms, we may have to retreat to cruder policies — to physical and administrative controls and incentives, to a new ascendency of State bureaucracy.

Two of the first European Airbuses — the product of broad-based European and American collaboration — are now in commercial service. If the Airbus sells well, it may lead to further cooperation within the European aircraft industry. If not, the first European jumbo may be the last. The Airbus, which can carry up to 345 passengers, is designed specifically for the short-haul, high-density market. The aircraft will initially be tested on the London-Paris route, on which more than two million passengers a year are carried. (FWF)

Kruger gold rand appears on Lilienblum

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new gold coin, the "Kruger gold rand," has made its appearance on Lilienblum Street and is being rapidly snapped up since it is considered underpriced (at present). It goes for IL800 to IL900 a coin.

The coin, which weighs one troy ounce (31.5 grams), is minted in South Africa, and since the government of South Africa has strict regulations against exporting the rand, the Kruger coin is being taken abroad by tourists who can convert it into banknotes in most countries of the world.

The South African Government has even tacitly encouraged such "exports" of the coin (which is almost pure gold) since South Africa is a gold-producing country, and this is a means of selling gold at a price above the market price for raw gold. Moreover, like the sovereign, it can be bought and sold by the small investor or speculator who cannot raise enough money to buy a kilogram of gold.

In general, prices on Lilienblum Street were very firm yesterday, with most foreign currencies rising a bit.

The brokers say that there are several reasons for this. The possible agreement with Syria in the north may persuade many Israelis to go abroad this summer (and thus they are buying foreign currency) and secondly this same agreement — if reached — would allow the government to tackle internal domestic matters, including the possible devaluation of the Israeli pound.

These were the prices prevailing yesterday: one hundred dollar banknotes, IL4.82, smaller dollar banknotes, IL4.77, dollar cheques, IL4.60, DM, IL1.92, Dutch florin, IL1.70, French franc, IL96, Swiss franc, IL1.57, Sovereigns, IL240, kilogram of silver, IL1,020, kilogram of gold, IL26,000, three-piece anniversary set, IL4,100, two-piece set, IL1,500, platinum coin, IL2,000.

Converting newspapers into source of energy

BERKELEY (UPI). — Yesterday's newspaper could be tomorrow's motor fuel, according to a University of California chemical engineering professor.

Charles R. Wilke, senior staff member of the Energy and Environment Division of the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory here, says cellulose, the major constituent of green plants and such other products as newsprint, can be converted into energy at a reasonable cost.

"Our studies," Wilke says, "indicate that cellulose is a large potential source of fuel, food, or chemicals now obtained from petroleum-based raw materials."

In order to release the energy stored in cellulose it must be broken down to glucose, a form of sugar, and then converted to ethyl alcohol or to microbial protein, a common ingredient of animal fodder.

Ethylene, which is used for the manufacture of polyethylene plastics, could be produced from ethanol. And an added benefit of the process, Wilke notes, is that ethanol and acetone, another chemical that can be made from glucose, and like ethanol a petroleum-based material, could ease the demand for crude oil.

There is a probability that a cellulose-produced alcohol could be the future motor fuel, Wilke says.

At present, alcohol is not competitive with gasoline although it is used in many countries as a fuel. But if the price of conventional fuels increase, Wilke says, or if pollution from hydrocarbon fuels becomes a dominant concern in some areas, the situation might change.

Wilke says the cellulose could be extracted from the thousands of kilograms of agricultural and domestic waste discarded every day.

"Using such readily available solid wastes, the U.S. could produce 13 billion gallons of alcohol per year," Wilke predicts, "equivalent in terms of energy to 10 per cent of the annual gasoline production."

Wilke estimates that cellulose could be converted to glucose for a cost of one U.S. cent a pound — a 12-cent-a-pound decrease in the current cost. He says the glucose could then be changed to alcohol for a cost of 30 cents a gallon, half of what it is now.

These cost cuts are the reasons Wilke thinks his new energy source plan is feasible.

To reduce costs, Wilke and his graduate student-assistants developed a faster way to grow cellulose.

Wilke says his results have so far been based on laboratory experiments so this year he plans to continue the study using a small pilot plant capable of processing sufficient waste material each day. That way, he says, the difficulties and economics of a large-scale operation can be determined.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Mart cheers up

TEL AVIV. — Rising prices and brisk trading characterized both the opening round and the variables yesterday on the stock market. Financial circles credit the cheery atmosphere to two factors: the good chance of reaching an agreement with the Syrians, and secondly, the talk of imposing a "capital gains" tax on index-linked bonds held by business companies. This has caused a dumping of such bonds by these companies and the reinvestment of the returns in stocks.

(Conversely, index-linked bonds were irregular yesterday due to these sales.)

IDB gained 4 and 1.5 to 225 (340,000 turnover): Mizrahi rose by 3 and 3 to 185 (210,000): Bank Leumi gained 1 and 0.5 to 261.5 (58,000): Delek registered gained 10 to 200 (70,000): ILDC bearer gained 7 and 1.5 to 201.5 (83,000): Cold Storage gained 10 and 4 to 235 (12,000): Dubek rose by 6.5 and 8 to 468 (8,000): Wolfson-Clore-Mayer IL10 gained 4.5 and 1 to 116.5 (87,000): Discount Investment gained 3.5 and then 2 to 249.5 (76,000): Mizrahi Investment gained six to 135 (133,000): and Bank Leumi Investment gained 6 and then 1 to 236.

The turnover in stocks was IL4,706,900, of this, IL312,800 was in the variables.

The Natad dollar jumped 7 points to IL4.81 when 347,300 dollars were demanded. Some 159,700 dollars were traded.

The General Index of share prices rose by 1.68 per cent to stand at 293.47.

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DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
6% Dead Sea Junior	r	242.5	238.5
6% Electric Corp A	r	133.5	133.5
6% Electric Corp B	r	145.5	145
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Klita 1965, Index 110.1	s	315	315
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	s	137.5	139.5
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	262.1	262.1
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut		283	283
I.D.B. pref.		275.5	268.5
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	225	219.5
Union Bank	r	302.5	302
Israel British Bank	b	332	333
Discount Bank "A"	r	525	515
United Mizrahi Bank	b	185	179
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	298	298
Bank Leumi "A"	r	261.5	260
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	260	257
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	195.5	199
Bank Binyan	b	260	260
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	272	272
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	189	186
Tefahot 8%	b	279	276.5
Tefahot	b	280.5	275.5
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	69.5	69.5
Hassneh Insurance	b	267	263
Sahar — "C"	b	350	348
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	88.5	87.5
Delek C	r	200	200
Cold Storage—IL10	r	265	221
Israel Electric Corp.	r	64	63.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	194	190
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	199.5	199.5
Africa Israel 10	r	249.5	248
Isr. Land Dev.	b	201.5	193
Solel Boneh 10%	b	148	144
Property & Build.	r	262	258
Isras	b	185	178.5
Mehadrin	r	198.5	198
L.C.P. for Citrus	b	100	98
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	179	179
Neot Aviv	r	100	97
Pri Or Ltd.	r	194	194
Rassco—8%	r	103	100
Rassco—O.	r	79.5	76.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	489	483
Elco—2.5	b	112	108.5
Electra—5	r	240	240
"Argaman"—8%	b	359	347
"Ata"—C	r	139	134
Dubek	b	468	453.5
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	220	218
Teva	b	1188	1185
Chem. & Phosphates	r	106	106.5
Lewin Epstein	b	69.5	67.5
Moller Textile	r	236	235
Phoenicia—8%	b	112	112
Paper Mills	r	319	313.5
Assis "B"	r	245	240
Nechushtan	b	460	459
Shemen—8%	b	135.5	135.5
"Taal" Plywood	b	261	259
Elite (A)		330	324
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	97	96
Ellern	b	212	208
Israel Central Trade	r	198	198.5
Bank Hapoalim	b	222.5	222.5
Paz	b	105	108
Wolfson IL10	b	116.5	111
Ampa	r	131	130
Discount Bank	b	252	248.5
United Mizrahi	b	135	129
Bank Leumi	r	236	229
Piryon Investment	r	116	111.5
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	104	110
Export Bank	b	83	80.5
Clal Investment	r	200	197
Clal Industries	r	194	194
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	90	90
Lapidoth OTC	r	178	178

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NEW HOUSING FOR GAZA FAMILIES

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Construction of new housing for refugees in the Gaza Strip, which started in December 1972, was slowed down for some time, due to the shortage of cement. Work stopped during the Yom Kippur war, but is now back to normal.

In December 1972, 130 refugee families moved into new housing provided by the Military Government at the "Brazilian camp" near Raffah. At that time, the price for two room units was IL3,000, and IL3,500 for three room units.

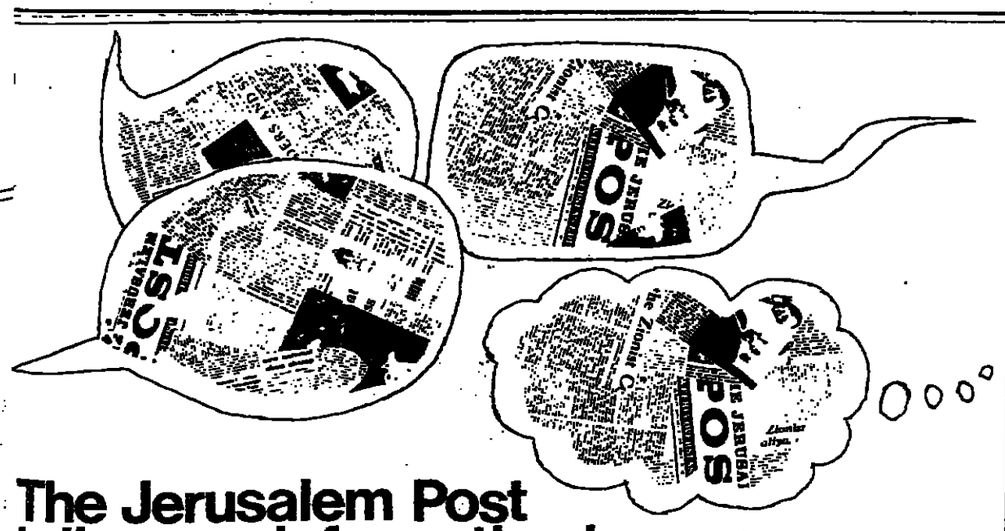
Another 184 units will be ready within three months. Each unit has running water, a septic tank and a connection to the electric grid. A shopping centre, a school and a clinic are also in the final stage of construction.

In the "Raffah-Sinai" camp, 500 housing units are under construction, and over 200 families have already moved in. The housing units are of the same size as in the Brazilian camp, but building prices have gone up, and the units now cost IL4,000 and IL4,500 respectively.

North of Raffah work on the infrastructure for 1,000 housing units in Han-Yunis will start within a few weeks, and 500 housing units for Beit Lahiyeh, near Gaza, are now on the planning board.

At Sheikh Adjuan, about five kms. north of Gaza, a new town is going up. One thousand plots of 250 square metres each have already been booked, with deposits varying from IL2,000 to IL5,000. Each housing unit will have 80 square metres of room space. The prospective buyers can either choose to have the house built by the PWD, or build it themselves, according to six available models.

The Military Government is putting up a tender for 25 houses to be built by local contractors. The price for the houses has not yet been fixed.



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Probate file 778/74

In the matter of the will of the late EVA (Themans) KLEBANOFF, deceased at Haifa on April 16, 1974.
Petitioner: Ronny Hemelraad Rubens of Sydney, Australia.

Citation — Be it known that an application has been filed in the above Court declaring the succession to the above deceased, and I hereby cite all persons claiming any benefit in the estate of the deceased and who desire to oppose the declaration of succession, to submit their objection to the declaration applied for within 15 days from the date of publication of this Citation. Otherwise this Court will make such order as it may deem fit.

J. ISMAN, Judge
Registrar

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PROPERTY TAX OFFICES OPEN IN THE AFTERNOON

The Property Tax Offices will be open to the public without a break until 6 p.m. (except on Shabbat Eves and festivals) until July 15, 1974, for clarification of questions involving 1974 real estate accounts.

In the District Court Jerusalem
Probate No. 301/74

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF the Estate of VADIA NASRI OHAN (née VADIA ISKANDER HADAD) deceased in Jerusalem May 25, 1962.

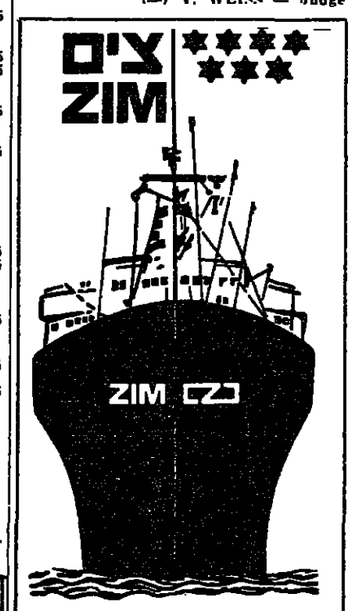
Petitioner: TUFIK NASRI OHAN, Identity Card 906162, of Jerusalem.

Represented by Advocates G. Reubinoff and/or R. Suen and/or A. Lichtman and/or S. Cohen and/or R. Levy and/or S. Berkovitz of 2 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem.

Let all persons take notice that an application has been made to the District Court Jerusalem for an order declaring the successions to VADIA NASRI OHAN (née VADIA ISKANDER HADAD).

All persons objecting to this petition must submit the grounds for such objection, within 14 days of the publication of this notice otherwise such order will be made as the Court seems right.

(—) Y. WEISS — Judge



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GOVERNMENT OF 61

The Labour party central committee voted by a large majority last night to authorise prime minister-elect Yitzhak Rabin to form a precarious government of 61 members in a House of 120. The enthusiasm was muted, and much less, in any case, than a vote of 302 to 36 might suggest.

The possible alternatives had drawn even less enthusiasm, the motion for a national unity government with the Likud getting no more than 15 per cent of the votes.

Even the present government, with 68 votes, took no longer than the day of its formal presentation to discover that the trouble with narrow majorities is not so much a numerically strong opposition as the difficulty of exercising control over its own supporters. Where every vote not only counts but becomes crucial, every member can afford to become choosy in his voting.

Several of the ex-Rafi members voted against the 61-member government yesterday, not because it is narrow based, but because they consider that the withdrawal of the National Religious Party and appearance of Mrs. Aloni's Civil Rights Party has shifted the balance away from Premier Golda Meir's strong line to a much more dovish position. They would prefer a national unity government, as would the influential Mayor of Haifa, Yosef Almogi. They are now committed by the party's vote to supporting the government when it is presented, but their votes may not be assured subsequently.

Mr. Rabin said last night that he hoped the government would prove stable. Even if it does not, it can of course carry on as a caretaker government until the elections that must be held fairly soon, and in that case the divergent voices inside the government would create fewer problems.

But this government has two *supremely important tasks ahead.* The first of these will be to chart the further negotiations with the Arab states and to make such progress as is possible in the direction of peace. There will be crucial decisions, and while a government with 61 votes is nominally as free to decide as a government with broad support, even the present rash of demonstrations indicates how difficult this could become.

Mr. Rabin rejects a unity government because, as he says, the Likud's views on peace talks are different from those of Labour. But peace agreements will in any case have to be acceptable to a large majority of the population, and would probably require special elections to validate them. The views of a large minority will have to be taken into consideration. Again, the new government will have to work fast to bring the elections system forward to give the parties, if not the voters, a direct say in choosing the representatives for the next Knesset. This, also, will be almost impossible without a secure majority in the present House.

READERS' LETTERS

'Spiegel' on Syrian Jews

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was most interested to read the letter "'Der Spiegel' on Syria" (April 26) as we also have experienced difficulties in having a letter on the Jews in Syria published in 'Der Spiegel.' The article on Syria was published in 'Der Spiegel' of March 18; in the week following publication, several Jewish student groups, and also German church groups sent letters protesting the article. Towards the end of April I received a letter from Mr. Hans Hielscher, who was responsible for the article on Syria saying our letter would be published in 'Der Spiegel' of April 30. But nothing appeared in that issue. I spoke to Mr. Hielscher on the phone on May 2, and he assured me that the letter would appear in the next issue; he added that nothing had appeared in the earlier issue due to lack of space because of the spy affair in Germany. In the issue of May 6 the letter again did not appear, so I rang Mr. Hielscher again, who again gave the excuse of lack of space, and said he would let me know next week if our letter would appear or not in some future issue. He said that he was "very interested" in our letter appearing, but that it was not only up to him; he added that the issue of Jews in Arab countries was such a large problem that it would be more worth while to write a whole article on the subject, as such a long time had elapsed since the original article on Syria had appeared. I doubt very much that 'Der Spiegel' will publish our letter.

NICKIE GALLINER, Secretary, Jewish Students Union in West Berlin

Berlin, May 8.

Press hinders rescue operations

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was shocked to learn that the tragedy at Ma'alot was closely followed by four Israel TV crews, several reporters from each Israeli newspaper and local photographers — not to mention tens of foreign correspondents.

As a reservist in a fighting unit, I feel very strongly that having cameramen and reporters following every movement at close range amounts to a serious handicap to the officers and men undertaking so difficult a rescue operation. While the soldiers are very careful to conceal their movements, they are given away by the movements of the newsmen following them around and training their cameras on them.

Are we going to get like California where an assault on the "Symbionese Liberation Army" is shown live on TV and their members on the inside can watch in comfort exactly what is happening on the outside?

It will be recalled that at the time of the Sabena hijacking at Lod Airport in May 1972, all newsmen were prohibited from approaching the scene of operations.

If the journalists themselves do not understand the implications of their being on the scene, surely Zahal should limit to the absolute minimum the number of members of the press covering such events. If this is done, I sincerely trust that instead of condemning the loss of "freedom of the press," the newsmen themselves will realize that they are helping by staying away.

AMNON ALONI

Jerusalem, May 17.

MUSEUM PRIZES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Kindly permit us to make a minor correction in your report of May 10 on Israel Museum prizes.

The Sandberg Grant for Research and/or Development, which was funded by Mr. Max Palevsky, was given to Peret, Ltd., the same company which was awarded the Philip and Florence Dworsky Prize for Design for the design of a collapsible tent.

The Sandberg Grant was awarded so that Peret, Ltd., could further research and develop other collapsible constructions, such as field hospitals.

Mr. Palevsky is a great friend of the Israel Museum, but not having had anything to do with the planning or development of collapsible hospitals, he was not himself awarded the Prize which he created.

MEIR MEYER
The Israel Museum

Jerusalem, May 12.

Saturday morning TV

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A. Cohen's letter (May 15) made me very sad! Is that the result of religious education? That *children can be lured to synagogue* only when there is no TV to lure them away?

We belong to a progressive congregation. Our Sabbath morning services are family affairs, and our children join us, TV or no TV. And so do many of our friends' kids.

But I have witnessed a neighbour of mine whose husband has been in khaki for months and, after a short stay home, was called up again — her day of rest is marred because her toddlers must be kept occupied by effort now instead of TV — and so much less rest for her.

JUDY NATAN

Netanya, May 15.

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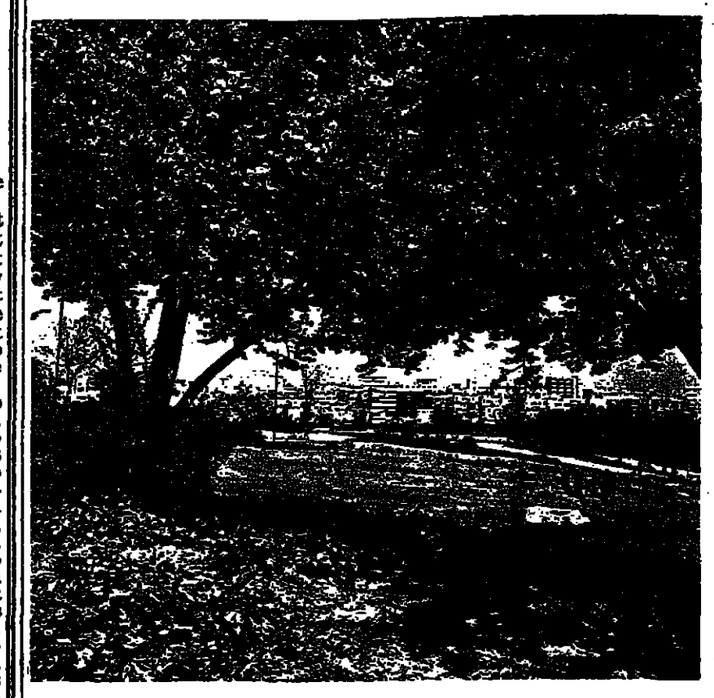
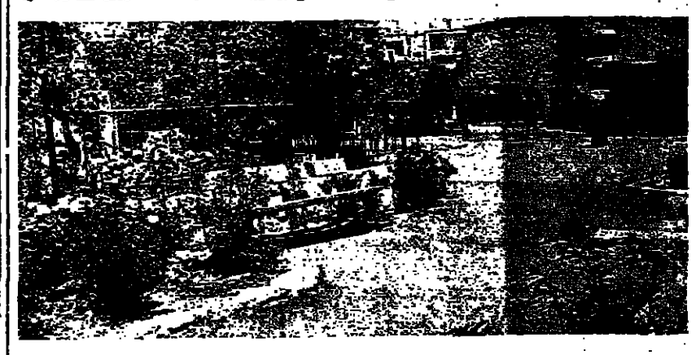


Quiet in the middle of the city — Independence Park. (Brauss)

Years of grass-roots educational efforts were necessary before vandalism could be overcome and trees like these in Katamon permitted to grow. (Brauss)



Greenery, benches and play equipment turn former waste ground in Katamon into pleasant outdoor living space for residents living in crowded apartments. (Emka)

Gardener Mordecai Darwish. (Emka)

Children at play in Katamon park. (Emka)

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

FOR two years after being appointed chief city gardener of Jerusalem in 1968, Mordecai Darwish rose early each Sabbath morning to attend a 6:30 *minyan* in Katamon, going on from there to one or two more synagogues in Jerusalem's poorer neighbourhoods before returning home for his Sabbath meal.

Although he had had a religious upbringing in his Kurdish home town it was not piety that prompted Darwish to make his Sabbath rounds. Ever since assuming the gardening post, he had been looking for a way to overcome the vandalism that had been plaguing efforts to introduce flowers and trees into the city's under-privileged districts. The first time he had attempted large-scale planting of trees on the streets of Katamon, 80 per cent had been uprooted in a week. Flowers planted during the day would be pulled out at night. In despair, Darwish had gone to Mayor Teddy Kollek who told him to go back and plant again and again. "Otherwise," said the mayor, "we won't have any trees in the city."

It then occurred to Darwish that in order to create greenery in new areas *one must be not only a gardener* but also a preacher who can persuade the residents that flowers and trees are not alien intrusions but things of beauty designed for their pleasure. Thus began his Sabbath walks. With the permission of synagogue officials, he mounted the *bima* after the Reading of the Tora to deliver his message. He also talked to neighbourhood associations (*vaadei shechunot*) and school principals, asking them to pass on the message. In the evenings he would sometimes walk through the various districts distributing chewing gum to youngsters and asking them to look after the flowers.

Slowly his preaching took hold. A flower-bed off Yochanan Ben Zakkai Street was uprooted five times but the sixth time it remained untouched. A young tree on San Martin Street was pulled down and its replacement died when its bark was peeled off, but the third tree took root. The naked streets of the Katamon districts which stretch for three kilometres across southern Jerusalem, began to be clothed with roses and jasmine and dappled in shade. The gardening department was busy all over the city, but it was in Katamon that Darwish saw his main challenge and where he invested his major effort. "You have families there with six or seven children living in 30 sq. metre flats," he said in an interview last week. "The people spend much of their time outdoors and that's why it's important to make the streets attractive."

For making Katamon and the rest of Jerusalem bloom, Mr. Darwish was this month awarded a IL4,000 prize at the Conference of Local Governments, sponsored by the Interior Ministry. For making the job look easy, he last year received the coveted Kaplan Prize for Efficiency, an award normally issued only to industrial enterprises.

Darwish's reputation for turning bare streets into gardens was such that Tel Aviv's former Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz tried to persuade the Jerusalem Municipality to let Tel Aviv borrow Darwish's services two days a week, but Mayor Kollek refused to spare him.

Garden city

It has been a long time since Jerusalem was last a garden city. Titus found the city ringed with farms and greenery when his legions arrived in 70 C.E. to lay siege to it. His troops uprooted the gardens after the Jews used their cover to lay ambushes. Mark Twain found no hint of this former lushness when he visited the walled city a century ago. The hills around, he wrote, were bereft of trees or shrubs. "No landscape exists that is more tiresome to the eye."

Things began to improve during the Mandatory period when "garden suburbs" like Rehavia, Talpiot and Beit Hakerem were laid out and the Rose Garden was planted in Talbiya. A serious parks programme did not develop until the term of Mayor Gershon Agron. But that programme did not keep pace with the rapid development of West Jerusalem.

When Teddy Kollek became mayor in 1965 there were 20 public parks and pocket gardens and 5,000 trees planted along streets. Mr. Kollek laid great emphasis on expanding the city's greenery. Today there are 585 "units" tended by the Parks Department ranging from a 200 square metre "greenery corner" to the 120 dunam Sacher Park at the foot of the Knesset. Park and playground area has increased from 600 dunams in 1965 to 2,475 dunams. The number of trees on streets has more than tripled, and the budget for materials such as seedlings and playground equipment has increased from IL30,000 nine years ago to IL500,000 this year.

Even more striking than the increase in numbers is the diversity introduced by Mr. Darwish. Previously trees in Jerusalem's streets and parks had largely been limited to four types of evergreens — pine, cypress, and also olive and carob. Darwish introduced about 20 new kinds of trees, almost all of which shed their leaves in winter. "They stand up better to snow," he said in an interview last week; "they give shade in sumer and don't block the sun in winter, and, most important, they provide diversity." He also introduced hundreds of different kinds of plants, the most distinctive being a new strain of rose — the Zorina — which blooms 10 months a year. Seven thousand of these rose plants — both red and white varieties — carpet the broad traffic island on Ruppin Road past the Government Centre.

The full effects of the new plantings says Darwish, will not be felt for another four or five years, when the young trees will have grown to their full height and new park schemes will have been implemented. "You won't recognize Jerusalem then." The most important new parks to be completed in the coming years are the National Park around the Old City, the 100-dunam Bloomfield Park between the King David Hotel and the railway station (to contain a fountain, an aviary and pergolas covered with bougainvillea and jasmine) and a botanical garden in the wadi between Neve Shaanan and the university presently occupied by fruit orchards.

Olive trees

The Valley of the Cross Park is to be filled out with another 500 olive trees to supplement the 1,700 existing trees.

A stand of palm trees that will grow on the eastern slope of the valley was not planned by the park designers. Earth brought to the site from Shuafat in northern Jerusalem suddenly started sprouting scores of palm seedlings three months ago. Darwish surmises that a palm had once stood where the earth had been scooped up in Shuafat.

Although his father had had vineyards in Traq, Darwish's gardening career was due purely to chance. He arrived in Israel in 1950 at the age of 18 without his family, and shortly afterwards entered the army. There he met a girl from his home town whose family was living in the Talpiot maabara (immigrant transit camp) in Jerusalem. After completion of their army service they married and settled in the maabara. When Darwish applied at the Labour Exchange for work, he was offered a job as labourer in the Municipal Park Department. Fifteen years later he was the director of the department, having become a licensed gardener along the way.

"There is nothing harder than being a gardener," says Darwish. "After you plant, your work is just beginning. And it never ends. Every one of our half million plants requires 10 different operations from watering to trimming. You have to love every plant and tree like your child. If you don't you can't work at it properly."

City gardening

In the past, municipal gardening was often a leisurely occupation in which the gardeners spent more time contemplating their plants from park benches than tending them. At one stage the Municipality had to hire a private contracting firm to take over maintenance of Sacher Park, which was in danger of drying up from lack of watering.

Darwish introduced work discipline. His schedules spell out a precise timetable for watering every one of the Municipality's 130,000 trees, some of which require watering once a week and some twice. Where five gardeners used to potter about in the Rose Garden on a full-time basis, the job is now handled by one man who is responsible for another park in the area as well. A rotating disciplinary committee, which includes both supervisory personnel and labourers, carries out spot checks to ensure that the men are making the plants grow, not just watching them.

But Darwish relies as much on a sense of mission as on discipline. Once a month, he assembles the entire staff after work hours for a general discussion on the department's activities and a pep talk. "This is our city," he tells them. "Anyone slacking off is only fooling himself and his own fam[illegible] We're lucky to be able to get p[illegible] for making the city beautiful."

There are 250 men in Darwi[illegible] department, 150 of them Arabs f[illegible] East Jerusalem and Hebron. R[illegible]tions between the Jewish and A[illegible] members of the staff are excell[illegible] says Darwish.

Each morning at 6:30 Dar[illegible] meets his senior staff member[illegible] Independence Park to plot out t[illegible] work. Empty sites which have [illegible]come refuse dumps are earmarked [illegible] planting as are barren plots an[illegible] public shelters. Some of Darwi[illegible] ideas were picked up on t[illegible] abroad. The flower tubs at Ma[illegible]baum Gate and other intersecti[illegible] for instance, derive from what [illegible] saw in Berlin. A fast-growing [illegible] now being widely planted in J[illegible]salem he first saw in Rome. [illegible] month, he is to visit Teheran.

Walking through Katam[illegible] with a reporter one morning [illegible] week, Darwish was frequently h[illegible] by residents. He stopped to [illegible] with a shoemaker whose wooden [illegible] lay adjacent to a new strip [illegible] greenery where young plants [illegible] being watered. "He asked me [illegible] straighten out some business [illegible] having with one of the Muni[illegible] offices. I asked him to keep an [illegible] on the garden and make sure [illegible] kids don't damage it. I have [illegible] eyes around the city."

A woman, who said she had b[illegible] living in Katamon for 20 ye[illegible] spoke of the different attit[illegible] younger children in the neighb[illegible]hood now have towards flow[illegible] "When the Municipality first st[illegible]ed planting trees here and the[illegible] few years ago," she said, "[illegible] seemed strange objects to the [illegible] here and they pulled them do[illegible] But to the youngsters who are gr[illegible]ing up nowadays with trees [illegible] flowers around them, it's part [illegible] their life and it would seem str[illegible] without them."

Says Darwish: "It's difficult to [illegible]lieve what has been accompli[illegible] I feel it everytime I go fo[illegible] walk."

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